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## SENT TO PRISON.

### LOCAL NEWSPAPER MEN.

### CENSORSHIP CASE.

#### Col. Eaves' Full Judgment Given Below.

#### "BOYCOTT" INFRINGEMENTS THE MORE SERIOUS.

The printers and publisher of the "Hong Kong Morning Post," were this morning found guilty of contravening the Chinese newspaper censorship regulations and also the Emergency Regulations Ordinance of 1922.

On two censorship charges defendants were nominally fined \$26 or in default seven days' imprisonment without hard labour.

On each of the boycott charges a fine of \$250 was imposed on the printers (each individual partner of the firm) and the publisher was fined \$600 on each charge; in default one month's imprisonment in each case.

"In addition each printer and the publisher must go to prison for one month without hard labour on each charge, these additional sentences also to run concurrently."

If, however, defendants publish an apology in the terms set out in the judgment below a remission of the sentence to imprisonment will be considered.

Col. F. Eaves, the Magistrate, allowed Mr. M. K. Lo's (for the defendants) application for leave to appeal, and there was an amount of argument on the question of bail.

### SUGGESTED APOLOGY.

When Lieut.-Col. F. Eaves, D.S.O., sat in the first Court at the Central Magistracy at 9.30 this morning to give his decision in the case in which the printers and publisher of the Hong Kong "Sun Po" are charged at the instance of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, for publishing matters on May 9 and 10 which had not been passed by the Censors, Mr. M. K. Lo, for the defence, in announcing to his Worship that his client was not in Court, explained that it was "one of the trials and tribulations of the Editor of a Chinese newspaper that he is at the beck and call of the S.C.A."

Mr. Lo said that his client was at that moment at the Secretariat, where he was being questioned in the course of further investigations being made.

His Worship agreed to give judgment in the absence of the defendant.

Lieut.-Col. Eaves then asked prosecuting Counsel, Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, assistant Attorney-General, if he had found out who were the partners of the firm concerned.

Mr. Fitzroy replied in the negative.

Mr. Lo told the Magistrate that if he wished to impose fines on the partners he could do so, but he (Mr. Lo) could not be compelled to disclose the identity of the partners.

Reading his judgment, a lengthy one, Lieut.-Col. Eaves said:

#### The Judgment.

In these 8 cases (taken together by consent) an Official of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs charges the Printers and Publisher of the "Hong Kong Morning Post" respectively, (in 4 cases, which I will refer to hereafter as the "censorship cases") with printing and publishing on May 9 and 10, 1928, a newspaper called the "Hong Kong Morning Post" which contained matter in the Chinese language (other than a bona fide trade advertisement) which had not been previously submitted to and passed by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, and, (in the remaining 4 cases, which I will refer to hereafter as the "Boycott cases") with printing and publishing on the same dates, the same newspaper, which was calculated or intended to persuade or induce persons to refrain from dealing with or trading with persons in the course of trade, business, occupation or employment, contrary to the regulations made under the Emergency Regulations Ordinance 1922.

#### Censorship.

By Sec. 2 (1) of Ordinance No. 5 of 1922, the Governor in Council was empowered on any occasion which he considered to be an occasion of emergency or public danger to make Regulations in the Public Interest, and by Sec. 2 (2)

### GEN. NOBILE NOT YET LOCATED.

#### VAIN EFFORTS.

#### SO NEAR: YET SO FAR: FURTHER ATTEMPTS.

#### WHERE IS AMUNDSEN?

Rome, Yesterday. The "Citta di Milano" reports that the two Norwegian airmen again flew over General Nobile's position, without sighting him. Noble wirelessed that one of the machines came within two kilometres of him.

#### Unsuccessful Efforts.

Rome, Yesterday. Further unsuccessful efforts of airmen to locate Nobile are reported from the base ship "Citta di Milano." Directly Captain Riiser Larsen and Lieutenant Holm returned from their flight yesterday and learnt that Nobile had seen their seaplanes they resolved to set out again in one machine.

They again, however, failed to spot Nobile's red tent.

Major Maddalena, the Italian airmen who only arrived at King's Bay yesterday night in the seaplane "Savoia" from Italy, departed early to-day in search of Nobile with a load of provisions. He returned to King's Bay equally unsuccessful after six-and-a-half hours' reconnoitring.

#### Message to Nobile.

A message has now been transmitted to Nobile directing him next time to guide the seaplane's course by wireless directly he sights it.

#### French Seaplane's Journey.

Oslo, Yesterday. There is still no news of the big French Latham seaplane piloted by Commandant Guibaud with Amundsen aboard, which left Tromsø yesterday evening apparently for Spitzbergen to participate in the search. No anxiety is felt as it is believed that she is heading direct for the spot where the stranded explorers are believed to be.—Reuter.

#### What Experts Think.

Oslo, Yesterday. There are many rumours with regard to the whereabouts of Guibaud and Amundsen. Experts believe that they have proceeded direct north to North Eastland in search of Nobile but if they landed on icefloe, they may find it difficult for them to again "take off."—Reuter.

further to the Royal Instructions dated July 7, 1895, para. XXII, in Volume 3 of the "Laws of Hong Kong," published in 1918. These instructions I find were revoked by further Royal Instructions dated February 14, 1917, published in the Hong Kong Government "Gazette" of April 20, 1917, which, however, contained a similar instruction numbered XXVI. This Instruction reads: "The Governor shall not... assent in our name to... (and then by para. 9).—Any Bill whereby persons not of European birth or descent may be subjected or made liable to any disabilities or restrictions to which persons of European birth or descent are not also subjected or made liable"—except, in certain cases of emergency thereafter set out. Mr. Lo argued that the Royal Instructions to the Governor, on the first point, he referred me to the preamble to Ordinance No. 5 of 1922, "An Ordinance to confer on the Governor in Council power to make Regulations on occasions of emergency or public danger" and to Section 2 (1) of the same Ordinance. "On any occasion which the Governor in Council may consider to be an occasion of emergency or public danger, he may make any regulations whatsoever which he may consider desirable in the public interest," and argued to the effect that Regulations made on an occasion of actual emergency or public danger ceased to have any force in law when such emergency or danger ceased. For such two reasons I cannot accept this view. Considering the possible danger to the public of one single publication of (say) seditious matter, for the purpose of preventing publication on occasion of "public danger," may be said to exist continuously from day to day, and prevention is obviously better than cure.

Further it is specially provided by subsection 2 (8) of Ordinance No. 5 of 1922 that any Regulations made under the provisions of Sec. 2 of that Ordinance shall continue in force until repealed by order of the Governor in Council—which appears to me to be a conclusive answer to Mr. Lo's first ground of submission.

#### Royal Instruction.

On the second point, Mr. Lo re-

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### INDO-CHINA CO. MEETING.

#### HELD THIS MORNING.

#### REPORT SUBMITTED OF YEAR'S BUSINESS.

#### "MARKED IMPROVEMENT."

The 47th ordinary general meeting of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., was held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, at noon to-day.

The Hon. Mr. B. D. F. Beith was in the chair, and the following directors were present: Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, and Mr. A. H. White.

Others present were Mr. M. H. Turner, solicitor of the Company, and the following shareholders: Messrs. R. Sutherland, C.B.E., N. V. A. Croucher, A. Murdoch, A. B. Stewart, W. B. Cornaby, A. Piercy, N. L. H. Railton, A. M. da Silva, Ho Leung, Ho Tang, Yung, Lo Man-hin, Ho Shai-kit, Chan Wing and P. Tod.

The Chairman said:—

Gentlemen, — As this time is past for which this meeting is called, and as there is a quorum present, I will ask Mr. Sutherland to read the usual notice.

After Mr. R. Sutherland, C.B.E., had read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman proceeded:—

The report and statement of accounts having been in your hands for some days, I will as customary, and with your permission, take them as read.

You will no doubt have perused the accounts submitted, with interest, showing as they do a very marked improvement on those of the previous year when the loss on working steamers amounted to \$28,752 17s. 7d. as compared with a profit during the period under review of \$22,490 18s. 1d.

The report in your hands briefly outlines the reason for the greatly improved showing in working account, this being largely attributable to the extraordinary conditions prevailing on the Yangtze; in which trade, as in 1926, the services of our Chinese competitors were, for a period, greatly disorganized by persons not of European birth or descent may be subjected or made liable to any disabilities or restrictions to which persons of European birth or descent are not also subjected or made liable"—except, in certain cases of emergency thereafter set out. Mr. Lo argued that the Royal Instructions to the Governor, on the first point, he referred me to the preamble to Ordinance No. 5 of 1922, "An Ordinance to confer on the Governor in Council power to make Regulations on occasions of emergency or public danger" and to Section 2 (1) of the same Ordinance. "On any occasion which the Governor in Council may consider to be an occasion of emergency or public danger, he may make any regulations whatsoever which he may consider desirable in the public interest," and argued to the effect that Regulations made on an occasion of actual emergency or public danger ceased to have any force in law when such emergency or danger ceased. For such two reasons I cannot accept this view. Considering the possible danger to the public of one single publication of (say) seditious matter, for the purpose of preventing publication on occasion of "public danger," may be said to exist continuously from day to day, and prevention is obviously better than cure.

The serious developments at Treaty Ports and their resultant effect, politically and commercially, have been so fully detailed in the public Press, both locally and at Home, that I think you will agree that further reference is unnecessary to international negotiations which are now almost historical, but which at the time were followed, by all who had foreign prestige in China at heart, with feelings of grave anxiety. In addressing you last year, my predecessor referred briefly to what was transpiring on the Yangtze, but in view of the important bearing it has had on the year's results it is perhaps desirable that I should further comment on what subsequently developed in that field of operation.

On the outbreak of trouble in the vicinity of Hankow, during January 1927, the steamers of our Yangtze fleet played an important part in the evacuation of foreign refugees from Riverine ports to Shanghai, and in order to better co-ordinate the naval activities with commercial shipping interests, a number of British River steamers, as mentioned last year, were taken over for a short period by the Admiralty at agreed rates of hire, these being operated much in the same way as shipping control tonnage dur-

### ATTACK ON KING'S MESSENGER.

#### FULLER DETAILS.

#### PROFUSE APOLOGIES: A FATHER'S APPEAL.

#### POLICE DECISION.

Rome, Yesterday. The Italian newspapers now give details of the attack on the King's messenger. They state that the police arrested the six men concerned, who had no idea that the man they had attacked was one of H.M. the King's messengers. They profusely apologized, and one of them wrote to the messenger, Captain Delafons, explaining that he was the father of a family and beginning him not to pursue the matter.

Captain Delafons accordingly declined to prosecute. The police authorities state that the culprits will be punished administratively.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Berne, the King's Messenger was standing in the street in Milan when a Fascist came up and demanded to see his passport. The messenger questioned the Fascist's right to make the demand, but finally accompanied him and three other Fascists to the police station, where the messenger produced his diplomatic passport. He was immediately allowed to go, with apologies, but the four Fascists severely assaulted him in the street.

The British Ambassador, who happened to be in Milan, immediately visited the Prefect of Police and demanded an apology and the arrest of the culprits. The latter were apprehended but it is not known what punishment was meted out to them, nor whether an apology was forthcoming.

It is learned in well-informed quarters in London that no protest has been made to the Italian Government. The case is regarded as one of common assault, not of sufficient importance to be brought to the notice of the British Foreign Office. Therefore it will be dealt with locally by the British Embassy at Rome.

What Amounts Were For.

Captain Riddoch also gave evidence as to the items making up his total claims, \$1,829.41 being for the steward's messing account for the master and officers; \$235.71 due to an officer who had gone Home; \$228 for the crew's food; and \$784.59 petty cash disbursements.

The names of the officers concerned were Mr. A. C. Tait (chief officer); Mr. N. N. Birtley (3rd officer); Mr. T. J. Robson (chief engineer); Mr. A. K. Amos (3rd engineer) and Mr. Wong Chun (4th engineer). The claims of these ranged from \$2,298.25 to \$712.50.

The "Carolina" Case.

From April onwards, all our Yangtze sailings were conducted under a Naval Convoy system, this being necessary owing to raids of interference by various Chinese Military Forces distributed throughout the Yangtze Valley, one of the chief dangers being the apparent irresponsible firing on shipping by Chinese forces commanding certain reaches and bends of the River.

As regards other branches of the Yangtze service, our agency at Changsha, Ichang and Chungking had to be abandoned early in the year, all trade being at a standstill, and the conditions prevailing making evacuation of foreigners imperative. It was not until September that, with Naval assistance, we were enabled to resume our Changsha service, while during the following month, acting on the recommendation of a British Trade Commission which had investigated conditions existing at Treaty Ports on the Middle and Upper River, we despatched the "Kingwo" from Shanghai to Chungking, and from such time as continued on her usual run, between Ichang and Chungking, with varying results. It is quite impossible in the confine of a speech of this nature to convey adequately the almost incredible conditions of shipping trade which have prevailed, and in a great measure are still prevailing on the Upper and Middle Yangtze, more especially the former.

The position is somewhat cogently summarized by a writer of a recent article in the Press, which he says:

When Scale Was Fixed.

His Lordship had asked for the authority of the bonus mentioned by counsel and witness. Accordingly, Captain T. T. Laurenson, D.S.C., branch secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild, was called. He testified that on March 1921, an agreement was arrived at with the owners whereby the rate of pay of the Indo-China S.N.C. Co., Ltd., and the China Navigation Co., Ltd., came into general usage, and owners could pay a bonus of one month for every twelve months in lieu of pension and leave privilege.

At Horsham, Sussex led Hampshire on the first innings. Scores:—

Essex 220 runs for 6 wkts.

Surrey 506 runs for 4 wkts.

Derby 208 runs for 7 wkts.

London, Yesterday.

At Lord's, the Test trial match (England v. Surrey) was left drawn. Scores:—

England 423 runs for 6 wkts.

Lord's 160 not out.

The Rest 195 runs for 7 wkts.

D. R. Jardine 74 not out.

Lancashire v. Notts.

At Manchester, Lancashire led Notts on the first innings. Scores:—

Notts 302 runs (Whysall 102) and 10 runs for no wkt.

Lancs. 423 runs for 9 wkts.

dec. (Makepeace 101).

Essex v. Surrey.

At Leyton, Essex lost to Surrey by an innings and 149 runs. Scores:—

Essex 220 runs and 137 runs.

Surrey 506 runs for 4 wkts.

dec. (Ducat 208, Shepherd 145 not out).

Yorks v. Leicester.

At Leeds, Yorkshire beat Leicestershire by an innings and 28 runs. Scores:—

Leicester 142 runs (Rhodes 6 wkts. for 55 runs) and 121 runs (Rhodes 4 for 32).

Yorkshire 291 runs (Oldroyd 101).

Sussex v. Hampshire.

At Horsham, Sussex led Hampshire on



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Offices of the Public Works Department,  
by Order of His Excellency the Governor,  
of one Lot of Crown Land at Ma Tau Kok in  
the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of  
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simple and capable of  
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No lettering should be  
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The design must be  
original and drawn on  
white paper; drawing must  
not be less than five inches  
across.

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consider the idea rather  
than the execution of the  
design, but senders are  
requested to be as neat as  
possible in expressing their  
ideas.

A prize of \$30.00 will  
be awarded to the sender  
of the design accepted by  
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decision must be considered  
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The full name and address  
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back of the drawing; no  
name should appear on  
the front.

Whilst the Committee  
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not later than Tuesday,  
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HONG KONG.

Sunrise and sunset in Hong Kong  
during June 1928, standard time  
for the 120th meridian, East of  
Greenwich, is as follows:

	Sunrise	Sunset
20	5.39	7.10
21	5.39	7.10
22	5.39	7.10
23	5.40	7.10
24	5.40	7.11
25	5.40	7.11
26	5.40	7.11
27	5.41	7.11
28	5.41	7.11
29	5.41	7.11
30	5.42	7.11

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## FARM SCHOOLS.

Mr. J. Rankine Finlayson, of  
Manchester, who has recently re-  
turned from a visit to Western Aus-  
tralia, in the course of a second  
interview with a "Manchester  
Guardian" representative referred  
further to the work done at the  
Fairbridge Farm Schools near Pin-  
jarra, for which 115 boys and girls  
left England the latter part of  
April. At the schools, there are  
about 17, children, and the new  
contingent will bring the establish-  
ment up to its full complement.

The work originated with Mr.  
Kingsley Fairbridge, a Rhodes  
scholar, who conceived the idea of  
taking children from Britain to  
Western Australia and there train-  
ing them for the land, which so  
greatly needs settlers. At Oxford,  
in 1909, Mr. Fairbridge founded the  
Child Emigration Society (incor-  
porated), which has headquarters  
in London, and of which Sir  
Arthur Lawley is the chairman.

The Society works in co-operation  
with the Children's Farm School  
Immigration Society of Western  
Australia (incorporated), which Mr.  
Fairbridge founded in 1918 as an  
Australian branch of the parent  
society.

When the two Princes passed  
the Lord Chancellor, it was they  
who bowed with elaborate cour-  
tesy, while he, seated on the  
Woolsack and wearing his quaint  
three-cornered hat, made no  
movement of any kind in acknowl-  
edgment, but continued to look  
straight ahead with the fixed ex-  
pression of a graven image, re-  
lates the "Daily News" and West-  
minster Gazette."

## PRINCELY SPONSOR.

DUKE OF GLOUCESTER  
SWORN AS PEER.

## MEDIAEVAL CEREMONY.

There was a fleeting glimpse of  
the real fabric of the British Con-  
stitution in the House of Lords, when  
the Duke of Gloucester (Prince Henry)  
accompanied by the Prince of Wales, was intro-  
duced into the House and took the  
oath as a peer.

As a rule, the entrance of  
Royalty into any assembly is a  
signal for everyone to rise, but in  
the House of Lords it was Royalty  
that stood and the members of  
the House that remained seated.

While the Prince of Wales, acting  
as sponsor for his brother,  
stood erect in his brightly colour-  
ed Parliamentary robes, Lord  
Birkenhead lounged with his  
hands in his pockets on a bench  
just opposite, Lord Carson sat  
cross-legged a little further along,  
and the other peers were in simi-  
larly casual attitudes.

The farm schools at Pinjarra  
were actually started in 1912. Mr.  
Fairbridge's death in 1924 was a  
calamity, but after meeting with  
setbacks and difficulties the  
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TAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY.  
KOHOKU MARU ... Thursday, 28th June noon.  
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## SHIPPING SECTION.

### FORESAIL MISHAP.

STEAMER SHOULD HAVE BEEN  
PREPARED.

"MARY" BLAMED.

Due precaution and a quick ap-  
preciation were what Mr. Justice  
Bateson and the Elder Brethren in  
the Admiralty Court asked for in  
the steamer following sailer up  
the Thames in something approach-  
ing a gale, when the sailer's fore-  
sheet carried away, and the steamer  
first collided with her and then  
with another steamer at anchor.

The steamer at anchor, heading  
towards the flood tide, the "Yew-  
glen" sued the up-coming steamer  
which hit her, the "Mary," and the  
"Mary" put the blame on the sailer,  
the "Viking." They were in St.  
Clement's Reach, and the hour was  
the beginning of the afternoon of  
June 19 last.

Many counsel had various rea-  
sons to advance for differently as-  
signing the blame—Mr. Lewis  
Noad was for the stationary plain-  
tiff instructed by Messrs. Crump  
and Son; Mr. E. Aylmer Digby,  
K.C., and Mr. R. F. Hayward ap-  
peared for the "Mary" instructed  
by Messrs. Walton and Co., and  
Mr. G. P. Langton, K.C., and Mr.  
Alfred T. Bucknill were for the  
sailer "Viking," instructed by  
Messrs. Keene, Marsland, Bryden  
and Besant.

The "Mary," 1,267 tons gross,  
and 231 feet long, was coming in  
from Riga, and her pleading was  
that the "Viking," at 200 yards dis-  
tance ahead, instead of continuing  
her port tack to the north shore  
going up, attempted to wind and  
not out of control and gathered  
sternway.

The "Viking" said that after her  
foresheet broke away, and she  
lowered it for repairs, she was on  
the south side of the river heading  
to the north shore when the  
"Mary" which had been following,  
attempted to pass to the south of  
her. With no foresail set the  
"Viking" started to drift astern  
under the influence of western  
wind and tide, and shouting that  
she was out of control, did not pre-  
vent the collisions.

In his judgment, Mr. Justice  
Bateson said he blamed only the  
"Mary." Much talk had turned on  
estimates of times and distances.  
The "Yewglen" was at anchor in a  
proper place, and could have no  
share of the blame. She was at a  
buoy nearly opposite Stoneness  
Point in line with the point and  
the landing stage on the chart.  
She was 800 feet or thereabout be-  
low or to the south of mid channel  
for an up-coming steamer. His  
lordship continued:—There cannot  
be any doubt that it happened on  
the south side, because the pilot of  
the "Mary" said his course up St.  
Clement's Reach was with the bow  
of the "Arthusa," which was  
moored bows up river, and Johnsons  
chimney in line ahead, and if the line is projected down  
St. Clement's Reach it will pass  
through a point 800 feet below the  
buoy I have referred to well over  
on the south side, so that on his  
own story the collision happened on  
that course, some 600 feet below the  
buoy, it is quite clear he was on  
his wrong side.

More to the South.

But in my view the collision was  
more to the south than that, and  
somewhere between that line and a  
line adjoining the "Yewglen's"  
buoy and another buoy lower down,  
below the Worcester cut in the  
river at that point. A line show-  
ing this buoy is referred to con-  
stantly in the evidence, and I  
think the collision happened be-  
tween the line of these two buoys.

pilot said one point; and she had  
only got her engines moving five  
or six seconds before she struck  
the "Viking." I think that that  
shows insufficient attention. It is  
very difficult to say it was bad  
lookout in the sense that the sailing  
barges were not seen. I think  
in a general way they were known  
to be in the reach, but no atten-  
tion was paid to them to inform  
the pilot of the trouble this barge  
had got into; if he had been in-  
formed he would have had plenty  
of time and opportunity to keep  
clear of both "Viking" and "Yew-  
glen."

In the second collision the "Yew-  
glen" was struck by the "Mary,"  
and driven on to the buoy, and  
after the collision the "Yewglen"  
went in close to the New Globe  
Wharf. The wind was westerly, a  
strong breeze amounting at times  
to a moderate gale. The tide was  
flood, running at about 3 knots.  
The "Viking" was coming up river  
under mainsail and foresail only,  
and with the wind as it was she  
was obliged to tack up the reach.

There was another barge in the  
reach, but that barge is not  
material in this case, in my judg-  
ment, although some attempt was  
made to use it as an excuse for not  
keeping on the proper side of the  
river, by the "Mary." I am satis-  
fied that that barge had no real  
influence on the navigation. The  
"Viking" coming up made her fast  
tack but one on the port tack. In  
standing across from the north  
shore, the cringles of her foresail,  
the chains which pass round the  
fore hawse, gave way—or rather  
one of them gave way—and there-  
upon the sail had to be lowered.  
The master of the barge in that  
weather kept his barge going  
under his mainsail, and he tacked  
on the north shore and came across  
to the south shore on the starboard  
tack successfully, with only his  
mainsail. He instructed his mate  
to repair the foresail as quickly as  
he could, by going down into the  
cabin or forecastle to get a piece  
of wire, which the mate did, and  
mended it with this piece of wire,  
shackling to the bowline cringle.  
Hoisting the Sail.

That took time. Having stood  
over with only his mainsail set to  
the south shore, the master went  
about again on the edge of the  
channel, somewhere in the neighbour-  
hood of these two outer buoys.  
He went about, and I think got on  
to the port tack, and was proceed-  
ing across channel, as he had come  
from the north shore. But before  
he had got any distance, or had  
got away on his tack properly, the  
mate said he was ready to haul up  
the foresail, and the master, keeping  
his vessel going—he did not  
want to get into trouble in a wind  
like that by not keeping on, as-  
sented, and the mate tried to haul  
up the foresail. It would take him  
all his time, because it's a job  
enough for one man in fine  
weather, and he might have to take  
the halliard to the winch to get it  
up at all.

He got it partly up, but for some  
reason, whether the wind or whether  
the master, looking at what  
the mate was doing and keeping  
an eye on him, took his eye off  
other matters, the ship flew up  
into the wind; and the mate, who  
had got the sail up as far as he  
could by hauling without making  
use of the winch, was told by the  
master to let the sail go again, and  
the barge began to drift astern.  
Just about the time that these  
difficulties arose he saw—I don't  
suppose for the first time—but he  
saw the "Mary" coming up river,  
practically coming straight for him,  
and although he waved and shout-  
ed the "Mary" came on and just  
shaved him, touching the "Viking"  
on the starboard quarter, as I think,  
the starboard bow, very  
close to the stern. Whether it  
was the actual stern or not I do  
not know, but there was a mark,  
somebody said might be due to the  
collision, on the bow. I think in  
the course of these manoeuvres  
the "Viking" had got a little out to-  
wards midway, perhaps half-way.  
She had got into the wind; her  
foresail had been pulled up and  
let down, and the vessel began to  
gather stern-way. All that would  
take some time, not a great deal of  
time, but sufficient time to give  
warning to any good lookout of  
what was going on.

Helm Allowance.

Meantime the "Mary" had been  
going up in about mid-channel, or  
perhaps a little south. As she got  
further up she saw there were only  
these two sailing vessels in the  
reach. There was nothing else, but  
she failed to see any of these hap-  
penings on the "Viking," except  
when the "Viking" began to move  
astern. I think quite obviously,  
up to that time she intended to  
shave closely by the "Viking," which  
was not an unnatural thing to do  
perhaps. I am not sure, however,  
I should approve of it in an empty  
reach like this, with plenty of  
room. It seems to me that allow-  
ance ought to be made for any-  
thing happening on these sailing  
vessels where you have plenty of  
room. A little port helm or a little  
starboard, in good time would en-  
able you to go up in perfect safety.

But the "Mary" stood on until  
she was very close to the "Viking."  
She puts the distance at 600 feet  
when the "Viking" was ahead of  
her. I think it was less, because,  
although she starboarded, hard  
starboarded and reversed her en-  
gines, she had only altered her  
course very little indeed. Her

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## FORESAIL MISHAP.

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"Mary" must have altered some seven points or so in her turn. Although the distance was not long, the various factors involving a turn quickly do not seem to me to militate against the angle. It may be that the angle was a little less, and has been exaggerated by the people who saw it, but the damage was certainly substantial, showing that not a good deal of way had been got off the "Mary" in her collision with the "Viking" and her manoeuvres before colliding with the "Yewgeny."

I have asked the Elder Brethren to give me their assistance in this case, and it has been very helpful, and they advise me that the difficulties of the barge must have been noticeable to those on the "Mary" in sufficient time to have enabled them to have avoided the barge by slight helm action, and that after the collision they failed to correct themselves. Further, that if one anchor had been let go, the second anchor might also have been let go. Both are patent anchors, and there is no reason why both should not have been dropped. The documents of the "Mary" all seem to support the view, so far as you can rely upon translation of foreign languages, which is always a matter of question, that nothing was seen of the difficulties of the barge is shown by the fact that she is described in the logbook as tacking on the starboard side, and the other entry is tacking when ahead; that is one of the reasons why I cannot accept the one or one and a half points on the starboard bow. The engine log of the "Mary" puts the interval between the two collisions as two minutes—1.42 p.m. and 1.44 p.m. An effort was made to get away from these two minutes in the course of the evidence, but, as it was pointed out, there always is in these cases as presented a minute to play with. I think the time was sufficient to allow the correcting of the small alteration that had taken place on the first collision. I have also the report of the master of the "Viking," who seems to me to state his case very fairly.

### Preliminary Acts.

I want to say this: In these cases where there are three parties—it does not matter so much to the Court; the Court always has its troubles—but it is highly inconvenient not to have the proper preliminary acts relating to both collisions. In this case the "Mary" has elected—and quite properly within the rules—to give no information in her preliminaries with regard to the collision with the "Viking." She is sued by the "Yewgeny" for collision with the "Yewgeny," and quite properly she only denies with the "Yewgeny."

When she puts in her defence to the "Yewgeny" she has not got to state any of those interesting details which so often contain useful information as to when the other vessel was seen, the course and standing of own ship, and so on, with regard to the "Viking." She has not got to say what her charges of neglect are against the "Viking," and does not do it. But she indicated what she was going to say, and the "Viking" has to make the best of it, and the "Yewgeny" has also had to make the best of it.

I suppose the "Yewgeny" might have asked for particulars, but probably the "Yewgeny" thought they were on velvet, and did not care to bother. One could only draw inferences of what the case was going to be against the "Viking." The pleadings seem to say they were 200 yards away from the "Viking" when they saw her getting out of control and gathering sternway. Now, if the distance was anything like that one cannot understand how they failed to keep clear. It states, "and having no foresail set," just before the collision, continued to come astern, and with her starboard quarter struck the bluff of the starboard bow of the "Mary," forcing her head round more to port, so that the complaint against her was that the "Viking" did not continue her port tack by reason of having no foresail set. She, of course, drifted astern whilst trying to hoist the foresail, and I cannot see that there was any neglect—certainly no other than I have described, except that Mr. Digby said that if the barge had seen the "Mary" earlier she had no right to go about at all on the port tack. But I think she came to wind through no fault of her own; at any rate, no neglect has been proved against her, and in hoisting the foresail she was doing her best in the circumstances to get on with her voyage.

Judgment was against the "Mary," the sailor getting her costs from the "Yewgeny," and the "Yewgeny" the costs so paid and her own costs from the "Mary."

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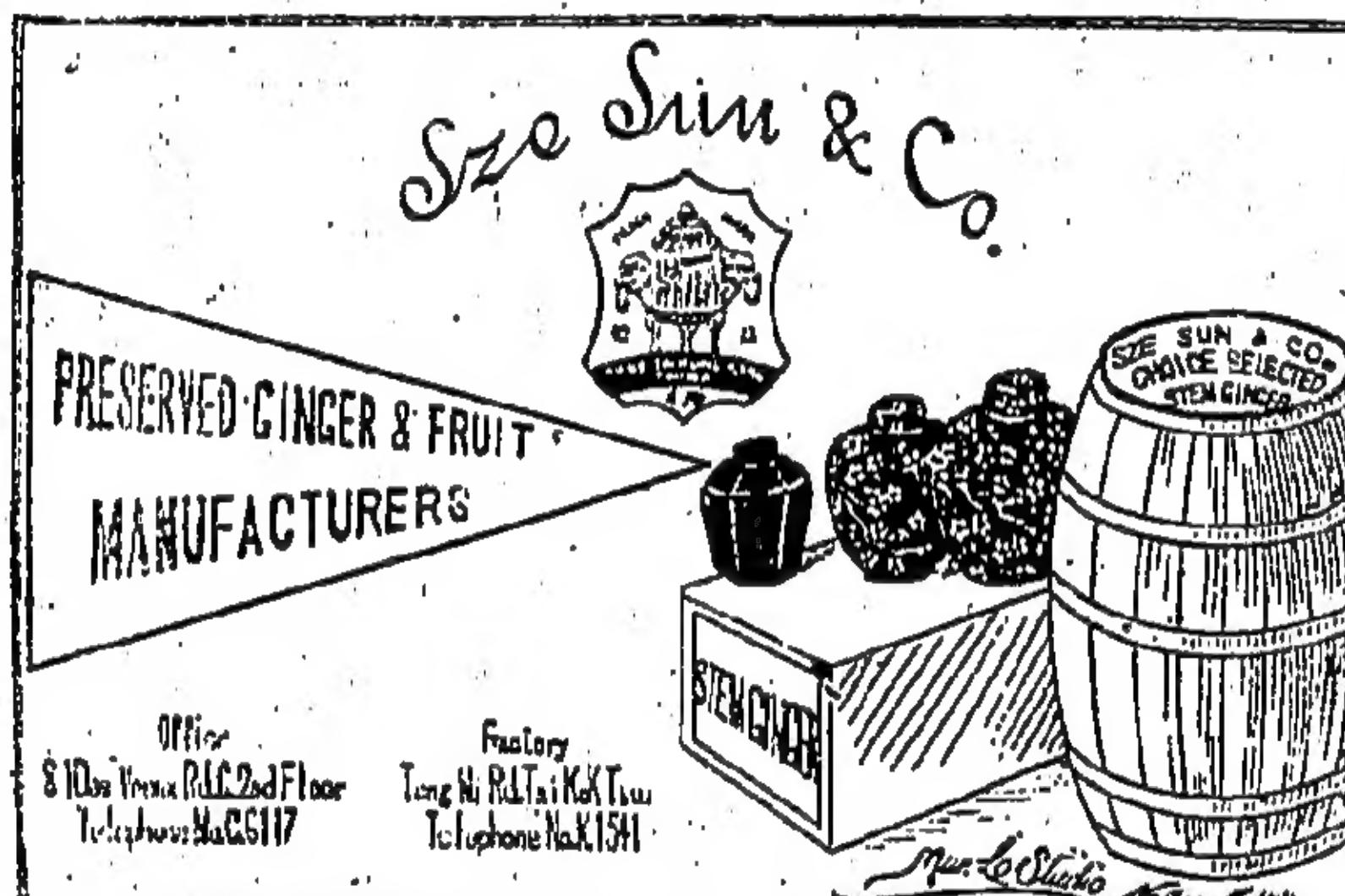
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**News.**

Marshal Chang Tsao-lin, according to a cable from London, is not dead but is improving in health. The striking feature about this report is that it comes from London. It emphasises the fact that nothing reliable or definite has been heard of the Mukden warlord since his train was bombed. During the past fortnight, in print, he had been killed and resurrected at least half a dozen times. Why there should be this paucity in news from the north is hard to explain. It is by no means a new departure. British and American newspapers who have special correspondents in Peking have by now, no doubt, supplied their journals with the facts concerning Chang Tsao-lin's health, but here in Hong Kong, and in Shanghai and the other cities in China where newspapers printed in English exist, we have to await the return of information from as far away as England. Which is strange.

At 1 a.m. this morning at the Blake Pier a Chinese dropped into the harbour. He was got out and taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning a young Chinese lad was charged with riding in an unsafe and reckless manner in Pakhoi-street at 4 in the morning.

Vienna, Yesterday.—During the hearing of a libel action, brought by Oskar Poessl, ex-editor of the "Neuviener" against Bruno Wolf, the present editor, Poessl suddenly fired three times at Wolf, killing him.—Reuter.

Messrs. Dodwell and Co., Ltd., agents for the Kallan Mining Administration, report that the total output of the Administration's mines for the week ending June 2 amounted to 111,971 tons, and the sales during the period to 101,309 tons.

At the Kowloon Magistracy, before Mr. W. Schofield yesterday, a farmer appeared as complainant in a case in which a Chinese was charged with attempting to steal \$100 from the farmer's pocket on board a Yaumati Ferry launch yesterday. The case was adjourned.

Mr. Lekhry A. Mahtani, for the past 2 months assistant manager of Messrs. Pohoomul Bros., silk store in Queen's-road, departs on tour by the s.s. "Tilawa" on Monday next. Mr. Mahtani, whose portrait will appear in our Saturday picture section, was formerly cashier of the Punjab National Bank at Hyderabad, Sind.

For snatching a gold bangle from the wrist of a 10-month-old baby which was being carried on its mother's back on the Laichikok-road, a Chinese lad and a man to whom he was alleged to have passed the trinket, were both sent to jail by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. The lad got two months' whilst the man received six months' hard labour.

I may at once say that neither of these two gentlemen know me or are known to me. In writing to you for enlightenment, I am actuated by two motives—the first is, a curiosity (morbid if you like) to find out by what series of combination and permutation the fines are based on or are they based on no known laws at all; my second is to find out, if possible what approximate figures I shall have to pay if I were similarly circumstanced.

I am contemplating on buying a car, and having been very near to Aberdeen in my travels, I might just as well know beforehand what accidental and incidental expenses I may have to face in acquiring a car.

Enclosing my card, and thanking you for inserting this.

**CORRESPONDENCE.**

**"CURIOUS!"**

To the Editor of the "China Mail," Sir.—Pope in his Essay on man said, "The proper study of mankind is man," and while I am often interested in your Cross-word puzzles, I confess the human problems in your paper interest me more. To your daily Cross-word puzzles you offer solutions on a subsequent day and encouraged by this very laudable outward and visible sign of helpfulness on the part of your paper, I venture to approach you to lighten my darkness in regard to something which I read in your paper of yesterday.

I read under the caption traffic cases two little paragraphs which have puzzled me not a little, and with your permission, I shall quote parts of them,

Mr. G. L. Johnson admitted summons for dangerous driving. Sergeant Saunders said that the speed of the leading vehicle alternated between 25 and 30 miles per hour. A fine of \$10 was imposed.

"Mr. Peter Tso admitted the offence of driving in a reckless manner. Sergeant Saunders said that the defendant's speed was between 25 and 30 miles per hour. His Worship imposed a fine of \$15."

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Yours faithfully,

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**DOUGLAS HAIG MEMORIAL HOMES.**

To the Editor of the "China Mail," Sir.—The appeal department of the British Legion has been placed at the disposal of the Trustees of The Douglas Haig Memorial Homes, with a view to raising the sum of £500,000, to be used in erecting throughout Great Britain a series of Homes for disabled and necessitous men, their dependants, and the widows and children of the fallen.

The scheme is under the patronage of H.R.H. The Prince of Wales and the Trustees are Lt.-Col. G. R. Crosfield (Representing H.R.H. The Prince), Maj. General Sir Robert Hutchison (Representing The Leader of the Liberal party), Viscount Lee of Fareham (Representing the Prime Minister) and The Rt. Hon. Stephen Walsh (Representing the Leader of the Labour party). General Sir Herbert Lawrence is the Hon. Treasurer.

During the last ten years of Lord Haig's life, his energies were devoted entirely to the interests of ex-Servicemen and no form of National Memorial could be more appropriate than that which has been decided upon.

Although no direct overseas appeal is being made, the object is such a worthy one that the Committee of the local branch of The British Legion consider that many of your readers would like to contribute and the Hon. Treasurer, W. Brackenridge C/o Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd. would be pleased to acknowledge any sum however small that may be sent to him.

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Yours faithfully,  
A. MURDOCH.  
Chairman, British Legion;  
Hong Kong Branch.

Tokyo, Yesterday.—While the Emperor was proceeding to visit the grave of the infant Princess Hisa, a middleman, apparently mentally unbalanced, ran up to the Imperial car in an attempt to present a petition. His complaint was that the authorities had banned the sale of certain patent medicine, which he alleged was effective in curing consumption and other diseases. The man was arrested before reaching his objective.—Reuter.

Brussels, Yesterday.—It is reported that petroleum wells have been discovered at Houdemont, Hainaut. The first sounding to a depth of 100 feet yielded oozings with decided petrolic characteristics.—Reuter.

**FLYING THE ATLANTIC**

If all this outburst about a woman participating in a flight from America to England means anything it means nothing more nor less than that, universally, women are still regarded in such matters as in quite a different category from men. But does the "modern miss" think so? Certainly not, judging by her cocktail-tossings, cigarette smoking and other little "emancipated" proclivities that, in her opinion, cause her to be at least in very close proximity to anything done by "mere man." In admiration for women, for what she is called upon to do as "woman," for her sympathetic outlook, her patience, her charm and her even more solid qualities, we yield to none; but surely when Miss Earheart or any other woman flies the Atlantic along with at least one highly experienced male pilot and all of them merely repeat what has been done several times much less ostentatiously, while she is certainly entitled to a "Bravo, plucky little woman," need anything more be said?

In all the fuss that is made about anyone doing anything "for the first time" there surely is more of the element of pleasurable surprise than of real admiration. And who will deny that there is more merit in a woman swimming (or "nearly swimming") the English Channel than in flying along with several men across the Atlantic. When a woman accomplishes the trip unaccompanied there will certainly be some justification for the high-sounding praises that President Coolidge and others have thought fit to set forth on the present occasion. But we profoundly

dislike a Chinese woman was watching a theatrical performance in Shamshehpur on Monday, a thief snatched an ear-ring from her. He was seized by a Chinese, who was amongst the spectators, and handed over to a policeman. At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Mr. W. Schofield sentenced the mean thief to six months' hard labour and 20 strokes of the birch.

Twenty carpenters, ten scenic artists, fifteen electricians four assistant directors, three assistant camera men, six dress designers and two architects were taken all the way from Germany to Hollywood for the erection of settings in "Sunrise," the celebrated German director, Mr. F. W. Murnau, was given a free hand by Fox Films in the making of this film masterpiece. Murnau used his mandate to the full extent, spending a million pounds on the production.

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## SENT TO PRISON.

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ple of what the defendants would print and publish were the censorship withdrawn, I must confess that personally I see the most urgent reasons for maintaining it. I am therefore unable to agree with Mr. Lo's submissions and, hold that, in law, the regulations are neither ultra vires in their inception, nor continued existence. With regard to the four censorship cases, according to the evidence the Defendants submitted three proofs to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs for censorship, two on May 8, and one on May 9 and the method of censoring at that date—a new method started in April—was for the Censor to delete any objectionable matter by striking it through with a red, or blue pencil or an ink cross or line, which indicated that the matter was not passed for publication, or, to place his initials in the corner of any objectionable paragraph, which indicated that that particular paragraph was passed for publication.

Blank spaces were sometimes, but not always, struck through. Prior to April, the method was sometimes to pass a whole proof sheet containing several articles, (particularly written matter from Canton) by one initialling only. The new method of initialling every passed paragraph was not communicated to Defendants. The spaces in the censored proofs containing the paragraphs the subject of the charges, were neither struck through nor initialled.

## Censor's Evidence.

The first witness for the prosecution, Mr. Lau Sheuk-chong, a Censor, gave evidence to the effect that he did not see the paragraphs in question in the proofs submitted for censorship on May 8 and 9, that if he had seen them he would have rejected them in accordance with his instructions to reject all matter advocating a boycott, and that the paragraph commencing "Our masses must not use Japanese goods" in the censored proof submitted on May 8 is not identical in words (though it is identical in substance) with that in the published issue of the 9th. He further expressed the opinion that the ink of the proof paragraph is of lighter colour than that of the surrounding print, the inference being that that particular paragraph was inserted in a blank space after censorship.

The fifth witness for the prosecution Mr. Lin Pak-chung another censor who censored one proof sheet submitted on May 8 stated that he remembered clearly that the two paragraphs relating to the Boycott were not on the submitted proof when he initialled it. He also stated that he did not see in the proof submitted to and censored by him on May 9 the four slogans commencing "All our countrymen arise in body and be active". The fourth witness for the prosecution Mr. Lo Kam-chak the Chief Translator in the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs stated that the Defendant Publisher was instructed by him prior to May 8 not to publish any leader or similar article promoting Boycott against Japan.

## The Publisher.

The evidence of the Defendant Publisher (who is also Editor of "The Hong Kong Morning Post") is to the effect that both the paragraphs and the slogans in question were in the submitted proofs, and that he was instructed by an Official in the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs not to publish anything in "strong or violent language" against the Japanese, but he denies being instructed not to publish Boycott matter. He admitted however that he ordered the paragraph published in the issue of May 9 to be substituted for the paragraph in one of the proofs submitted on May 8 and that it was a common practice to submit matter for censoring after actual publication. He further stated that he only submitted for censorship what he considered matters are of great importance, and that he considered a Boycott unimportant.

## Boycott Matter.

The words of the regulation (No. 1) read "No person shall print or publish . . . any matter (other than a bona fide trade advertisement) . . ." If Publishers elect what matter they will or will not submit for censorship—(arrogating to themselves the special functions of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs)—the whole object of the regulation is defeated. Apart from the one exception, they cannot print or publish a single non-censored word without committing an offence against the Regulation.

Although these proofs appear to have passed through the hands of certain Printers and the Defendant Publisher's Assistant Editor, not one of these has been called to corroborate the Defendant Publisher's statement that the paragraphs were in the proofs when submitted, moreover there is nothing on the proofs to show that they ever passed through the Defendant Pub-

lisher's hands. On the other hand the Censor's initials show clearly that he saw the proofs, and in view of his recent instructions to reject Boycott matter, the presumption is that he would be on the qui vive for such important matter.

It is also hardly conceivable after the specific instructions received by the Censors, that the Chief Translator when interviewing the Editors should omit to mention this important subject, and in any event, whether the subject of Boycott was or was not mentioned, the Regulation against publishing Boycott matter had been in force since June, 1926—which appears to be a sufficient warning.

## Not Submitted.

After due consideration of the evidence I accordingly attach more weight to the recollections of the Censors in respect of the submitted proofs, and find, that the matter as published in the issues of May 9 and 10 was not submitted and passed by the Censor.

Further, in my view, any subsequent alteration in or substitution of matter duly censored and passed creates, at any rate, a technical offence against Regulation 1.

## Material Words.

With regard to the four Boycott cases, Mr. Lo, as a second defence, contended that the matter printed and published does not contravene Regulation 2, as it does not nothing more than any trade publication urging people to buy British goods in preference to, (say) American products, and that if what his clients had advocated was an offence, every such trade publication was also an offence.

The material words in the publications are (in the issue of May 9) "Warning to our Chinese . . . all of us who wish to 'maintain our nationality must refrain from using Japanese goods.'

If your enthusiasm is going to last for only five minutes, you might as well prepare to become slaves in a lost country" and (in the issue of May 10) "All our countrymen arise in a body and be active . . . The Japanese have challenged us and cruelly murdered our Chinese Officials and people. Be unanimous in severing economic relations with Japan."

The paragraph in the issue of May 9 is clearly intended to persuade the same members to carry on an active Boycott. A bona fide trade publication, in respect of any particular goods, urging the preferential buying of British goods is a practice internationally recognised as a mere puffing of one's own wares, whereas a boycott is deliberately intended in its result to deprive the persons aimed at of their means of livelihood, by the wholesale destruction of their legitimate trade.

## Malice.

It is the malice behind this which brings it within the spirit and meaning of the Regulation. I am therefore unable to agree with Mr. Lo's second contention, and hold that both paragraphs clearly contravene Regulation 2.

Mr. Lo also pointed out that other matter advocating Boycott had been passed by the Censor. This may be so, but such passing cannot stamp unlawful matter with the brand of legality, nor relieve the Defendants of the legal consequences of its publication. A Censor has no power to abrogate the Law. All that the passing by the Censor amounts to is (in effect) to say "I see no objection to the matter submitted, but if you publish it you do so at your own risk."

If the defendants had had the slightest idea of civic responsibility, they must have realised that in the then state of Chinese feeling, the publication of such matter might excite further feeling between the Chinese and Japanese in this Colony; and, as a matter of fact, subsequently to such publication viz. on May 17, anti-Japanese demonstrations by certain irresponsible Chinese occurred in the Colony, and continued for about a week.

## Convicted.

I do not suggest that there were grave disorders, but agitators addressed crowds in the streets and distributed inflammatory literature, and there were instances where excited crowds actually attacked Japanese shops and smashed windows, and although the Defendants are not charged with an act calculated to cause a breach of the peace, the probability that the publications in the known circumstances might lead to demonstrations compels me to take a more serious view of the Boycott cases than I otherwise would have done.

In his evidence the censor agreed that matter once submitted and passed need not be re-submitted for the purpose of subsequent publication.

I incline to the view, with regard to the censorship cases only, that although the publications were two separate and distinct issues, the offences alleged on May 9 and 10 constitute one continuing offence, and should have been the subject of one charge and not two. Con-

ssequently I amend the two summonses relating to May 9 to read May 9 and 10, and dismiss the two summonses against the Printers and Publisher respectively for the censorship charge on May 10.

On the remaining 6 charges I convict the respective defendants.

## Not Trivial.

I ignore the suggestion in the censorship cases of fraud on the part of the Defendants, and regard the facts disclosed as a mere indiscretion on the part of one who, while expressing respect for the Censorship, in practice habitually treated it with sublime indifference, and although I cannot acquiesce in Mr. Lo's invitation to treat the matter as trivial and dismiss it, I am prepared to look on the two censorship cases with a benign eye, and accordingly fine both the Printers (each individual partner in the defendant firm) and the Publisher the nominal sum of \$25 in default 7 days' imprisonment without hard labour.

## Sentences.

The Boycott cases are in an entirely different category. I recently sentenced to imprisonment for offences advocating Boycott, certain ignorant Chinese workers.

The printing and publishing by the defendants of the matter proved in these cases is equally grave, and though I distinguish between the two classes of cases—in the present cases the defendants did not in person exhort the public—I see no reason to mete out different punishment to educated and responsible persons. I fine the Printers (each individual partner of the Defendant Company) the sum of \$250 on each charge, in default 1 month's imprisonment without hard labour, and the Publisher \$500 on each charge, in default one month's imprisonment without hard labour, the imprisonment to run concurrently.

## Apology.

In addition, each Printer and the Publisher must go to prison for one month without hard labour on each charge, these additional sentences also to run concurrently.

## London Views.

The "Times," in an editorial, expresses the opinion that there are strong economic and sentimental reasons for the transference of the capital to Nanking, which is also less exposed to foreign attack than Peking, but considers that the situation in Manchuria and Mongolia militates against the change, South Manchuria being the object of official Japanese interest and Outer Mongolia having become to all intents a Soviet protectorate and one of the channels of Communist penetration.

The "Times" wonders whether the transfer may not lead to a dangerous loss of central control over the vulnerable marches of North China.—Reuter.

## SUNRISE.

MAGNIFICENT DRAMA AT THE QUEEN'S.

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must be double, or at least equal to the amount of the fines imposed, and in this Mr. Fitzroy supported his Magistrate.

How Many Partners?

Mr. Lo then raised the point as to how much the Magistrate wanted him to pay as bail, in view of the fines imposed on the partners of the firm as well.

His Worship said that as Mr. Lo represented the Company he should know how many partners there were.

Mr. Lo replied that he did not. He represented the Company on the instruction of the manager who had come forward and assumed all responsibilities.

After further argument, Mr. Lo said that he would not disclose who the partners of the Company were, and asked whether the Magistrate was going to satisfy his judgment, as he (Mr. Lo) was entitled to be told how much in fines he had to pay. He argued that it was not for him to assist the prosecution by disclosing the partners.

He submitted that what was meant was that only one person, the one assuming responsibility, could be fined, and each and every one of the partners were liable to that one penalty, and not to separate fines as imposed by his Worship.

Leave to appeal was granted. There was some argument on the question of bail which his Worship said he would fix at twice the amount of the fines imposed.

Remarking that the Magistrate had certainly inflicted much heavier penalties than was anticipated.

Mr. Lo said that the possibilities were that his client would not be able to pay the fine and would have to go to jail as an alternative, so that it would be doubly difficult to raise a much larger amount as bail pending appeal.

His Worship said that it was laid down that bail pending appeal

## TO SURRENDER?

## THE MANCHURIA PARTY'S POSITION.

## PARLEY AT TIENTSIN:

## Shanghai, Yesterday.

According to the Kuo Min news agency, the Hankow express train, the first on the Peking-Hankow Railway since the suspension of the service due to hostilities (nearly two years ago), left Hankow for Peking on June 18. The first train from Peking will arrive at Hankow on June 23.—Reuter.

## Chiang Kai-shek.

## Shanghai, Yesterday.

According to the Kuo Min news agency, Mr. Li Hsin-shan, representing the Manchurian Generals Chang Hsueh-liang, Yang Yu-ting and Han Lin-chun, arrived in Tientsin this morning from Mukden to start negotiations with the Nationalist authorities for the surrender of the Manchurian forces and the Three Eastern Provinces.—Reuter.

## Train Run Again.

## Shanghai, Yesterday.

Reports from Nanking state that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has announced his willingness to go to Peking as the representative of the Nationalist Party to pay homage to the casket of Dr. Sun Yat-sen. Chiang suggests the removal of the casket to Nanjing before the convocation of the third national congress of the Party.—Reuter.

## Postal Administration.

## Shanghai, Yesterday.

The "North China Daily News" says that apparently the Nationalist authorities have decided that it is not feasible at present to instal the Directorate-General of Posts in Nanking, therefore the headquarters are being removed from Peking to Shanghai for the time being.—Reuter.

## London Views.

## London, Yesterday.

The "Times," in an editorial, expresses the opinion that there are strong economic and sentimental reasons for the transference of the capital to Nanking, which is also less exposed to foreign attack than Peking, but considers that the situation in Manchuria and Mongolia militates against the change, South Manchuria being the object of official Japanese interest and Outer Mongolia having become to all intents a Soviet protectorate and one of the channels of Communist penetration.

The "Times" wonders whether the transfer may not lead to a dangerous loss of central control over the vulnerable marches of North China.—Reuter.

## LAMBERT'S AUCTIONS.

## London, June 26.

At 7, Knutsford-terrace, Kimberley-rd, Kowloon household furniture, 11 a.m.

At 2, Torres-blvd, Kimberley-rd, Kowloon, household furniture 11 a.m.

Land Sale.

At P.W.D. Office, one lot of Crown land at Ma Tau Kok, 3 p.m.

Meetings.

At 7, Annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Horticultural Society, in Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.'s board room, 5.30 p.m.

June 28—Confirmatory meeting of Wm. Powell, Ltd., 12.15 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

June 22—Dragon Boat festival.

The story in itself is simple and the acting superb.

"Sunrise" was produced for the Fox Film Co., regardless of cost, and is a mastery of mechanical skill and exquisite photography.

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## PASSENGER LIST.

## ARRIVALS.

Passengers arrived by the s.s. "President Jackson" on Tuesday, were:

Mr. A. M. Birchall, Miss H. Ezra, Mr. & Mrs. A. H. B. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. P. Hunt, Mr. J. M. Hykes, Miss E. P. Hughes, Mr. C. P. Hughes, Ensign J. C. S. McIlroy, Ensign T. B. McMinty, Mr. Eric Moller, Mr. H. Miller, Mrs. A. G. Mossop, Mr. R. C. Paterson, Mr. C. E. Patten, Mr. C. Stigbar, Mr. Hendrick Tulip, Mr. C. W. Wong, Mr. Lee E. Blazier, Mr. L. C. Brown, Mrs. Martina Brilliante, Mr. John K. Butler, Mrs. Elizabeth Collier, Mrs. Hazel Cooper, Mrs. Francis Cooper, Miss E. Mary Cooper, Miss Margaret K. Dunphy, Rev. F. Gordon Hart, Mrs. F. Gordon Hart, Com. & Mrs. H. E. Jenkins, Mrs. H. E. Jenkins, Mr. B. H. Lydon, Mr. J. C. Little, Miss Alice Morton, Mr. Leo H. Martin, Mr. W. Meglin, Mrs. C. G. McDaniel, Miss Mary Stoller, Master R. E. Reardon, Mrs. Clarine Nicholson, Mr. Peter J. Walowit.

After further argument, Mr. Lo said that he would not disclose who the partners of the Company were, and asked whether the Magistrate was going to satisfy his judgment, as he (Mr. Lo) was entitled to be told how much in fines he had to pay. He argued that it was not for him to assist the prosecution by disclosing the partners.

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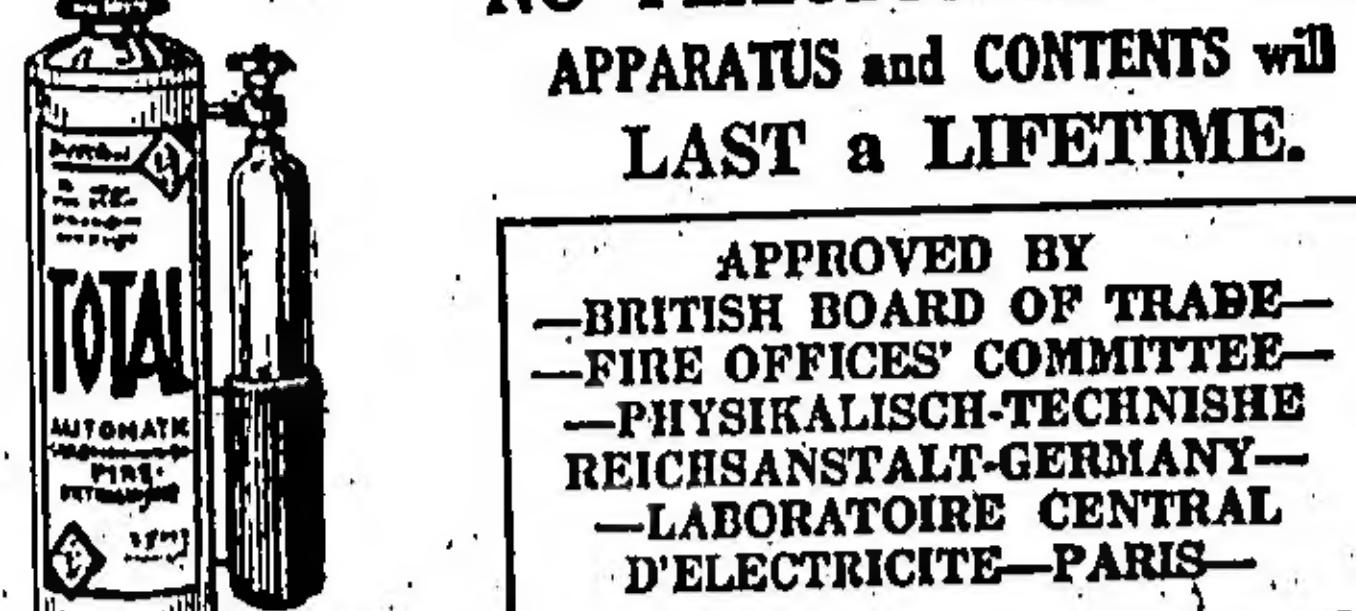
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## CO. MEETING.

(Continued From Page 1.)

"While shipping conditions between here and Hankow are virtually normal again, the position still obtaining in the territory of the Upper Yangtze can only be described as appalling. The area between Ichang and Wanhsien is infested with pirates and bandits, and the system, if it can be called a system, of taxation evolved by the Authorities in charge of the numerous ports is iniquitous. Indeed, it would appear that these authorities spend most of their time inventing new and irregular taxes."

Owing to the strong anti-foreign feeling in existence on the Upper Yangtze as far up as Wanhsien, the Company's prospects in this area are decidedly obscure and a continual source of anxiety to your Directors and General Managers, but it is the policy of the Company to endeavour to continue its efforts in renewing old and friendly connections and in no way to appear antagonistic to their susceptibility and difficulties.

You will have gathered therefore, Gentleman, that while the management of the River portion of the carrying trade has been fraught with considerable difficulties, the financial result nevertheless shows a satisfactory return for reasons already mentioned, and I take this opportunity of thanking the members of the floating Staff for their good services during a state of affairs involving very considerable personal risk. In their Annual Report, the Shanghai General Managers, who were in close touch with the situation, say:

"Special mention must be made of the praiseworthy manner in which the Company's Floating Staff serving on the Yangtze Steamers carried out their duties under exceptionally trying conditions during the first half of the year. Our vessels scarcely performed a trip during that period without being fired upon by both machine gun and rifle fire, and the personal risk involved was by no means slight. Our thanks are due in the first place to H.M. Navy for their very valuable assistance and protection afforded in providing gunboats and convoys and in no slight measure to the marked devotion which was cheerfully and willingly shown by all ranks in the Company's Service during the anxious time under review, and which enabled the Company to operate its vessels and render valuable help to both the Chinese and Foreign population of the Yangtze Valley at a time of great emergency."

which views I heartily endorse, and would add that the Company is also mindful of the valuable work performed by those in charge of hulks and in Shore Appointments.

The foregoing remarks deal entirely with the Yangtze situation which, however, was also naturally affected by the tense situation existing in Shanghai during March, as a result of the Southern Nationalist Forces arriving outside the Settlement. A period of anxious uncertainty ensued, but notwithstanding the efforts of certain Chinese Labour Unions to incite trouble by enforcing a General Strike, including Chinese Seamen, this misguided movement, possessing distinctly unpleasant features, was, by the joint action of the Foreign and Chinese Authorities, in quietly ignoring unreasonable and unscientific demands or those involving political issues, promptly and ably suppressed to the undoubted relief of residents of all nationality, including Chinese.

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The Calcutta Line has operated steadily throughout the year, although it is to be regretted that opposition seems to spring up in the most unexpected quarters and it is difficult to maintain a remunerative scale of rates, on all sections of the route.

The "Laisang."

As mentioned in the Report, the "Laisang," a useful unit of the Fleet for some 27 years, was last February disposed of for breaking up purposes, at a figure showing a satisfactory profit on her Book Value. She is being temporarily replaced on the Line by the "Yuen-sang" and "Suisang."

It is satisfactory to report that no serious casualty has occurred during the year, although from the Report you will have learned that both the "Ho-pang" and "Yatsang" were subjected to piratical attack whilst in Southern Chinese Waters, being forcibly taken to the notorious pirate stronghold—Bias Bay.

In the case of the vessels in question, the Company only suffered to a very minor extent and there were fortunately no casualties of any sort to passengers or crew. Unfortunately, however, steamers of other Companies pirated during the year did not come off so lightly and I can only hope that the somewhat vague reports to the effect that the Chinese Authorities are engaged in taking active measures in coping with and eradicating, this really unnecessary evil in the vicinity of Bias Bay and elsewhere are substantially correct.

Piracy in China Waters.

The whole question of Piracy in China waters is exceedingly complicated, but as has often been said, determined efforts on the part of our Chinese friends at Canton would solve the outstanding difficulty of the problem.

Last year at the Annual General Meeting you were given the assurance that the most rigid economy consistent with efficiency of the Fleet would be practised and this I can conscientiously say has been carried out. Amongst other things, we are at present investigating a new system of insurance for covering the Fleet next year by which it is hoped a considerable cash saving may be effected; the scheme at the moment, however, is merely in its preliminary stages.

Unfortunately, some of our steamers are of advanced age, so that the cost of repairs and renewals become an increasing factor. In this connection I would venture to touch upon what is considered a somewhat important matter to British Shipping. While not wishing in any way to shirk our obligations in complying with Board of Trade requirements in respect of Surveys, it might be opportune to suggest in the interests of a very depressed trade, that those in authority be as moderate as possible in their demands. My justification for such remark being that vessels under flag of many Countries are keen competitors in Far Eastern Trades and that, while those under the British Ensign are compelled by law (in order to obtain necessary certificates to enter and clear from British Ports) to comply with the high standard of up-keep set by the Board of Trade, vessels of other Nations, many of which are undeniably far below Board of Trade standard as regards condition and sea-worthiness, enter and clear from this port with impunity thus obtaining equal benefits with British tonnage at greatly reduced operating costs.

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## POLICE TRAP.

SMART CAPTURE OF FOUR DRUG TRAFFICKERS.

DETECTIVE "BUYER."

As the result of a trap, the West Point police effected the arrest of four Chinese, alleged to be traffickers in morphine, at the Tai Chung Kwok restaurant, in Des Voeux Road West, on Monday afternoon.

The trap was laid following information received by the police concerning the activities of the morphine traders, and a Chinese detective soon got busy on the trail of the traffickers.

A man named Wong Piu introduced the detective, as a prospective buyer to a man named Ng Ku-wing, who was stated to be the owner of the drug.

A meeting to fix prices, etc., was arranged with the supposed prospective buyer at the Tai Chung Kwok. The police were informed of the proposed meeting, and a party of detectives kept the restaurant under observation.

The alleged traffickers arrived at 4 p.m., the time appointed for the meeting, accompanied by the "buyer." Inside the restaurant the "buyer" handed over three \$100 notes to the man Ng and, in return, received a tin containing about one pound of morphine.

Then the supposed buyer gave a pre-arranged signal, and the police raided the room, and the alleged traffickers were arrested.

Ng was stated to have fainted from fright at the appearance of the police, and he was removed to the Government Civil Hospital in an ambulance. His three confederates were taken to No. 7 Police Station.

so that my remarks as regards our prospects for this year must be limited to an expression of hope for the early return of normal commercial prosperity.

Staff's Good Work.

Before dealing with the Accounts, I should like, in addition to what has already been said regarding the Staff on the Yangtze, to record the Company's appreciation of the good work performed by its employees generally, both ashore and on shore. It has been a year bristling with complex situations and we as General Managers, speaking for all ports where we are established, also much appreciate the loyal support afforded us.

Turning to the Statement of Accounts, it will be seen that after providing for Depreciation, all Liabilities, Outgoings, and after transferring \$47,000 from Contingency Account to Revenue Account there remains a balance of \$742 13s. 6d. which it is proposed to carry forward to next year. We have also transferred \$10,000 from Contingency Account to Special Repairs and Renewals Account, to meet extraordinary expenditure in connection with special work over and above that called for by customary overhauls including the conversion of certain vessels from oil to coal.

I trust the transfers mentioned have your approval.

The other items of our Accounts call for no special comment but it will be seen that Contingency Account is of course reduced the equivalent of the transfers just referred to.

The amount of freight outstanding at the end of the year has all been collected.

Your Directors regret that in the present financial position of the Company they are unable to recommend the payment of a Dividend.

Resolution.

I now beg to propose the following Resolution:

"That the Report and Statement of Accounts as presented be adopted including the transfer of \$47,000 and \$10,000 from Contingency Account to Revenue Account and Special Repairs and Renewals Account respectively, and that the sum of \$742 13s. 6d. be carried to next year."

As soon as this Resolution has been seconded I shall be pleased to reply to the best of my ability to any questions Shareholders may wish to ask.

The Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie seconded the resolution and there being no questions, it was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

On the proposal of Mr. N. V. A. Croucher, seconded by Mr. Ho Leung, the meeting confirmed the appointment of the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie as a Director of the Company in the place of Mr. L. J. Davies.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, the retiring Director, was unanimously re-elected on the proposal of Mr. A. Piercy.

Mr. A. B. Stewart proposed and Mr. A. Murdoch seconded the re-election of Mr. John Fleming and Mr. A. Ritchie as Auditors of the Company for the year 1928 at a remuneration of \$5,000.

This was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

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SHOTS THAT HAVE GONE.

## CHAMPIONSHIPS' BALLS?

[By Harry Vardon]  
There is a remarkable diversity of opinion as to the degree of length that the modern ball has added to the shots in golf.

One of the best-known players in the country with whom I was recently discussing this subject insisted that the average first-class drive of to-day is no more than twenty yards longer than the equivalent stroke made in the era of the gutta-percha ball. This is the lowest estimate that I have heard as to the disparity, but it came from a man who had himself been reared in golf with the help of the "gutty" until he was 17 years of age, and it indicates how varied may be the views of future generations as to the changes that have come over the game.

Personally, I should say that the distance of the full drive has been increased by at least 60 yards. It was a very good shot of this kind that travelled 190 yards in the time of the gutta-percha ball. Nowadays, the average of a first-class player's drive under normal conditions is about 250 yards. Similarly, the mashie was formerly a club to take at no greater range than 100 yards from the hole. Something like 80 yards was considered the limit of real safety for anybody who could not force the shot without endangering the rhythm of the swing. People now bang the ball up to the green with a mashie from distances of 160 yards.

These considerations are important in their bearing on the long-discussed question of limiting the power of the ball—a question which, although quiescent this season, is by no means dead. The United States Golf Association have now perfected a machine devised by Professor Harold Thomas, of the Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, for measuring the resilience of the ball. They feel that, if the degree of resilience can be restricted by a rule under which each make of ball must pass the test of this machine, then the problem will be solved without recourse to limitations of site or weight.

There are thinking golfers in this country who, in spite of the disposition among golfers in general to let everything go on as usual, are as determined as ever to see some new restriction on the power of a ball brought into effect. Certainly it is worth while realising just how greatly the game has changed, and worth while considering whether it has changed for the better.

## St. Andrews Up-to-Date.

In last year's Open Championship at St. Andrews there was only one hole, the fourteenth, at which Bobby Jones had to play a full second shot. Thus he had precisely four full-second shots in four rounds—a very sparse provision of what was once regarded as the most testing stroke in golf. The same remark could be applied to dozens of the competitors, although they did not accomplish the intermediate strokes and the puts with the same skill as the winner.

Ten of the holes were drives and chips, or, as the contemptuous old-timer terms them, "Kicks and Spits." Then there were two, the second and fourth, that called for a drive and a mashie; two others, the thirteenth and fifteenth, that demanded a drive and a mid-iron; and another two, the eighth and eleventh, that lived up to their course.

The sole remaining hole, the fifth, was a drive and a spoon. And this with the ground soft and holding, so that the run on the ball was a small factor in the securing of distance.

It is truly a very nice problem as to whether classic competitions ought to be decided under conditions (born of the ball), which reduce the game virtually to a test of long first shots and short second shots, supplemented by "game within a game," that shuttlecock of momentary fancies and inspirations which is known as putting.

It is salutary to remember that, at one time, the long and second testing shot was the keynote of golfing efficiency. John Ball's brassie shot, that beat Mur Ferguson at the seventeenth hole in an amateur championship final at Hoylake; the brassie shots and the cleek shots of Taylor and Braid—these are remembered before any others in connection with the first-class golf of a comparatively short time ago. So far as concerns big events the brassie and the cleek have virtually disappeared from the game. They may still be carried for the sake of tradition, but they are hardly ever needed.

If a full second shot happens to be required, as at the fourteenth hole in the Open Championship at St. Andrews, the player usually takes his driver for it, because he has forgotten the feel of the brassie.

## Expectation and Effect.

In the days when golf was climbing to greatness as a world's pastime, the brassie had to be used for the second shot even by a player of the front rank, at probably nine of the eighteen holes in the round. You would see him tip-toeing as he neared his ball to see if it were sitting up sufficiently well—he could tell from the measure of its countenance above the grass—to suggest the taking of the brassie. That situation has disappeared from first-class golf. At most of the other holes the cleek would be a necessity for the second shot. Mr. Ball could place the ball as close to the hole with a brassie as the modern champions do with a mashie-niblick. Braid and Taylor were as deadly with the cleek.

Ought there to be these testing second shots in modern championship golf?

It would be ridiculous further to lengthen courses so as to provide even half-a-dozen holes of the full two shot description, so we could have for championships a lighter ball than the present one. Introduced for such events, the innovation might well appeal to the multitude.—"Sports Despatch."

## IN THE RING.

## SHARKEY'S SURPRISE VICTORY OVER DELANEY.

[By Eugene Corri.]

Not since complimentary nights to Peggy Bettinson were the fashion there been a more interesting gathering at the National Sporting Club than that which rallied around the ring by way of paying tribute to Lord Lonsdale. Various old champions took the opportunity to show that, in the matter of technique, they can lose many of the youngsters. Johnny Summers, for instance, who sparred with Matt Wells, has not, in appearance at least, altered; and Joe Bowker, in an affair with Johnny Hill, did much to remind us of his great days.

Each of the old champions did much to make the night memorable one. But the really great thing was to see Alf Mancini against the French welter, Laffineur. The London-Italian was the winner on points at the end of twelve rounds. Many thought that he was fortunate to be given the verdict; that at the most he had done no more than earn a draw. If honours had been declared easy, the result would have been in accordance with the ideas of those who looked on.

At any rate, there was practically nothing in it. This was the first time I had seen Laffineur. Of him I formed a favourable impression. Rather on the crude side at present, there is no doubt that he has a considerable relish for fighting. Also, like all the boys from the Continent, he is as tough as they make them. Laffineur I should say, has not been taught the trade of fighting in a systematic way. In many respects he is wrong, and there is an awkwardness about him, and the fellow is so persistent, and so game, that he makes ample atonement for lack of polish. That Sharkey knocked Delaney cold at the beginning of the necessary viciousness to put him in the running for the title.

He can duck and dodge with the best of them, but he will be wise not to take the risks which he ran against Laffineur when he comes to try to take the belt from Hood. The fight between Hood and Mancini should be one of the best we have had since Johnny Basham was one of the welters.

I must say that I was not prepared for the quick victory which Jack Sharkey won over Jack Delaney, for the latter, when he was of the cruisers established himself as a fine and most accomplished fighter—in almost every particular a worthy champion. And there were more than whispers that Sharkey was none too determined of heart.

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And yet I do not know. When the New Zealander met Sharkey there was only one in it, and that was Heeney. The fact that Heeney has a great punch, but he possesses one calculated to do much damage, and he is a fighter given to bringing blows from all sorts of angles.

In the matter of aggression he is quite remarkable. From the first song he went after Mancini. Not once did he give him any rest. And I think if only for his aggression the Frenchman deserved to catch the judge's eye. However, there is no doubt that Mancini is a particularly clever boxer. He has a wonderful eye, and he can wriggle out of a tight corner in a way almost amazing. There is this that I am sure about—he can hit harder than he led us to suppose in his contest with Laffineur.

Perhaps he was not for showing his real hand that Monday night, but I would warn him that, against Hood, he will not be able to afford to concern himself with colouring

**CONFUCIANISM.**

## PAPER AT CAMBRIDGE BY MR. LO TUNG-FAN, B.A.

(The substance being that of a Paper read before a Study Circle of Trinity Hall, Cambridge University, on March 1, 1928, by Mr. Lo Tung-fan, B.A.)

## VIII.—CONCLUSION.

Now I shall try to give some explanation of and reason for the influence of Confucianism in China. As it is not a religion, it cannot be said that it has inspired a faith in the people. Confucius claimed no special divine power in his teaching, nor did he appeal in his discourses to the popular mind during his life time. Yet he has been regarded as the greatest teacher in China, and his teaching has exerted an unparalleled influence on Chinese life. How is this?

Confucius had a wonderful personality. His virtuous life, his moral perfection and his wide knowledge must have been, as perfect as those of the Superior Man that was held up by him as the Ideal for self-culture. He had

four companions, twelve philosophers, seventy-two disciples and 8,000 students to whom his spirit was successfully communicated.

They all worshipped him as the greatest sage. Thus in their words: "Since there first were living men until now, there has never been another Confucius." "From the birth of mankind till now there has never been another like our master."

Although Confucius himself was not a minister, his disciples became the officials of various states and they applied the doctrines of their master to government affairs with success. His teaching was thus carried out faithfully, and it was firmly established in the minds of the people. Age after age words of adoration and praise have been attached to his name and the emperors of various dynasties lavished upon him all sorts of princely titles so that he now occupies very much the position of a Chinese god.

The Emperor Shun Chih of the Manchu Dynasty undertook to give Confucius a title for all ages and to establish the true relationship in which he stands to the people. He has ever been known as the Greatest Sage and Our Teacher.

## Aimed High.

Confucius, in ennobling the individual as a moral being capable of moral development, won into the heart of every man. His teaching would not have been so popular if

his boxing as he did against the Frenchman. Mancini conveyed the notion to me that he inclines to theatricalism—at least that he gets infinite joy in showing that he can miss a blow by a hair's breath, and in almost an effortless manner.

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And yet I do not know. When the New Zealander met Sharkey there was only one in it, and that was Heeney. The fact that Heeney has a great punch, but he possesses one calculated to do much damage, and he is a fighter given to bringing blows from all sorts of angles.

In the matter of aggression he is quite remarkable. From the first song he went after Mancini. Not once did he give him any rest. And I think if only for his aggression the Frenchman deserved to catch the judge's eye. However, there is no doubt that Mancini is a particularly clever boxer. He has a wonderful eye, and he can wriggle out of a tight corner in a way almost amazing. There is this that I am sure about—he can hit harder than he led us to suppose in his contest with Laffineur.

Perhaps he was not for showing his real hand that Monday night, but I would warn him that, against Hood, he will not be able to afford to concern himself with colouring

he did not tell the men of their high origin and destiny, of their noble duties and calling, and of their capacity of morally developing their own natures.

The teaching of Confucius is the expression of the moral consciousness of the Chinese in all ages. The plain, matter-of-fact system of Confucius whose principle is to form man not by doctrine but by his contact with man, exactly fitted the mind of the people. He has expressed the best thoughts of nearly every age, and incorporated them into his system of ethics.

Confucius is not only a teacher of ethics but also a compiler of the early Chinese classics. He was the first organiser of Chinese literature, preserving the purest national traditions and the best in Chinese literature. One of his sources of strength is that he has firmly organised the national life through his literary work. The Chinese have one written language for the whole country, and the Four Books which are compiled for his disciples and the Five Classics, which are compiled by himself are studied by every Chinese when he is young, and applied by him throughout his whole life. It is thus that what Confucius taught represents the culture of the Chinese in totality.

## Followed Blindly.

There is an objective source of strength which in the last two centuries was responsible for the great influence of Confucianism but unhappily, also for its decline in an indirect way.

This was the literary examination system of the Manchu Dynasty. Entrance into the civil service was obtained by passing four or five of these examinations, the papers set for which were mainly from the Four Books. The papers contained chiefly subjects for a sort of literary composition which must be finished in a certain form consisting of eight paragraphs. The candidates must learn the Four Books off by heart, and also the orthodox commentary on the text. They were not allowed to criticise, nor to set down any opinion of their own, however correct and original they might be. If the composition showed the slightest sign of deviation from the standard form, or of divergence from the orthodox meaning of the text, the candidate was thereby disqualified. The result was that the teaching of Confucius was blindly followed, a class of stereotyped literati was produced, and all initiative and originality of the people were stamped out.

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shortly before their downfall in 1911, as the whole nation was stirred for social, political and intellectual reform by its contact with the new ideas of the modern Western world. The great reaction of the people resulted in a gradual loss of respect for the Confucian teaching.

## Brief Survey.

Now I think I have kept you too long, and I shall conclude this paper with a short survey of the position of Confucianism in China at the present day.

As we have seen, the teaching of Confucius has its historical background in the old Chinese patriarchal system of government. At the time of Confucius, China was still an isolated empire. The family, not the individual, was the basis of society. The standard of their morality was based on the traditions and customs of the past ages. Instead of taking antiquity as the childhood of the race as Bacon did in Western philosophy, Confucius exalted it as the perfection itself which can only be equalled but not excelled. In the light of subsequent history, we see that this is a mistake. Society is necessarily progressive. Every age has its own needs and its own ideals. Thus at the present day, there are more than five relations to be rectified. There are the modern relations between the rich and the poor, that between capital and labour, that between nations and that between mankind in general.

Man is not merely a creature of traditions and customs in the midst of which he lives, but also an intelligent moral being who can think, feel and will. The ideals of both man and society are based on the progressive movements of the human race, and they must for ever be upheld.

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struggle in the modern world of science and industry.

## Political Ideals.

Although there were one or two isolated cases of reactionary movements for the suppression of the Confucian teaching, the pride and conscience of the nation never allowed any more drastic measure than the reservation of the Confucian teaching in the form of the Four Books and the Five Classics for the study of the senior classes in a high school. To me this is an improvement in the educational system of China. For the past twenty years, China has been experiencing a radical transformation in its social, political and intellectual life. There has been a great upheaval in which traditions, customs, beliefs and thought have all been shaken to their root. What the result will be is surely of world-wide interest. While recognising the value of Confucius' ethical teaching which will ever be an inspiration to every moral being, I cannot attach too much importance to his political ideals. China should learn a great deal from the West to meet the needs of the age, but she should never turn destructively upon her past which holds much that is precious. With the depth and fineness of the Confucian culture, her past is certainly her promise for the future.

(The End.)

## COLONY'S HEALTH.

## NOTIFIABLE DISEASE LAST WEEK.

## SMALL-POX DEATHS.

Last week's return of notifiable disease in the Colony, according to reports to the Medical Officer of Health, was as follows:

Small-pox: 2 cases (all Chinese) from the Kowloon registration district—total 2, 3 deaths during the week.

Diphtheria: 1 case from the city and 1 from Kowloon—total 2 (1 American, 1 Chinese) death.

Enteric Fever (Typhoid): 1 case from the city and 2 from Kowloon (1 British, 2 Chinese and 1 imported)—total 3, 1 death.

Paratyphoid Fever: 1 death during the week.

Puerperal Fever: 1 case from the city and 1 from Aberdeen (all Chinese)—total 2, 1 death.

Influenza (notifiable): 1 death during the week.

Singapore. Yesterday.—The Planters' Association of Malaya has decided not to urge further relaxes of rubber.—Reuter.

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## TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

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**MUSSOLINI'S VIEWS.**

**FRANK CONVERSATION ON  
GERMANY.**

**"UNBEARABLE FRONTIERS."**

Signor Mussolini, in the course of a conversation with the Rome correspondent of the Berlin Conservative newspaper "Der Tag," has given this journalist the impression that he is still hankering after the formation of a German-Italian bloc with an anti-French bias. The journalist declared that Signor Mussolini had a number of things which he cannot publish, so brutally frank were they and so far removed from the realm of sentimental dreams in which German politicians move. But even the publishable part of the conversation he described as overpoweringly dramatic.

The question he put to Signor Mussolini was:—Why should not Italy follow the same policy towards Germany as towards Hungary? And Signor Mussolini answered that the reason was to be found in Germany alone. If Germany would only stop thinking in terms of sentiment about 200,000 inhabitants of the South Tyrol, who for that matter could have anything they wanted if only they would show themselves loyal Italian subjects, then every barrier between Italy and Germany, would be swept away. "Bismarck," said Signor Mussolini, "would never have based his policy on sentiment."

Yet Signor Mussolini, according to the journalist, has a better appreciation of German national sentiment than the timid politicians of Berlin. He declared that for him such frontiers as the present German frontier would be absolutely unbearable, just as Hungarian frontiers are unbearable. The heart of Fascist Italy goes out to the gallant Hungarians who still flare up against their fate. And naturally it goes out to Germany in so far as Germany is also showing a stiff front to adversity. The correspondent cannot report exactly what answer Signor Mussolini made to the question as to how the former Allied Powers would view a Nationalist Government in Germany, but he says it was an answer calculated to cheer the most timid of German spirits, writes a Berlin correspondent to the "Manchester Guardian."

**The French Elections.**

The conversation touched upon the French elections, and Signor Mussolini said he had observed the success of the Alsatian autonomists with particular interest; and upon the German-Italian pact of amity, which the German press had failed to throw into proper relief for fear of compromising the rapprochement with France. The correspondent thinks that this undue concern for French feeling is leading Germany down a false route. He leaves one to gather that Signor Mussolini thinks the same. But it is not two years since Signor Mussolini expressed himself in unguarded terms to a correspondent of the "Petit Parisien," urging France to join up with Italy in notwithstanding the German menace. The interview need not, then, be taken very seriously, but why should Signor Mussolini have chosen this particular moment for an indiscretion which cannot but be irritating to France?

**Herr Stresemann Replies.**

Herr Stresemann, in the course of an election speech at Cologne, replied briefly to Signor Mussolini's alleged interview printed in "Der Tag." He began by throwing a doubt on the authenticity of the interview. It would be strange and regrettable, he said, if statements interfered thus in the election campaigns of other States. As to Signor Mussolini's alleged complaint that Germany's policy was "sentimental" because Germans are preoccupied with the fate of South Tyrol, he thought it was rather the Italian policy which followed the line of sentiment in trying to impose the Italian language on 200,000 Germans. Where was the realism in such a policy?

The "Frankfurter Zeitung" judges that the interview cannot be

wholly fictitious. What did Signor Mussolini hope to attain by making such statements to a German Nationalist journalist? It asks. If he thought thereby to change the general German opinion regarding the Fascist oppressive policy, he was greatly mistaken. He cannot escape the memory of what has actually been done in South Tyrol or of his last threatening speech. Only a few Nationalists can be blinded to hard facts by their enthusiasm for a dictatorship.

**Polish Minority in Germany.**

While the treatment of German minorities in Italy is brought once more under discussion by the Mussolini interview, and while the impending trial of the Alsatian Autonomists at Colmar fixes German eyes also upon France's policy towards the German-speaking minorities, the Prussian Government, acting on its own authority and without entering into discussions with the Reich's Government, has issued a kind of Charter of Liberty for the Polish minority within its borders. The Poles of Upper Silesia are unaffected, for their status is already determined by international engagements, but the Poles of Western Prussia and also the numerous Poles of the Rhine district will benefit by this initiative. The basic principle of the Charter is its recognition that it lies within the citizen's own choice to determine whether or not he belongs to the National Minority. The authorities have nothing to say in this matter. This principle is in accord with recent judgment of the Hague Court in regard to a Polish claim that the individual membership of the Minority should be subject to examination and confirmation by the authorities.

There is, of course, far more inducement for a Polish-speaking parent to opt for a German school than for his child than for a German to prefer no instruction, owing to the superior efficiency of German educational methods and the greater utility of the German language. The principle of self-determination is thus advantageous to the German schools both on German and on Polish soil. The Prussian Charter anticipates the provision of State schools for the Polish Minority wherever they are found in sufficient numbers to demand them. Uniform regulations are also forecast for the establishment and recognition of private Polish schools. No details are yet published regarding the number of schools to be tolerated and supported proportionately to the Polish population, so that the Prussian Government can as yet only claim credit for the manifestation of benevolent intentions. The Danish fringe has now for some time enjoyed wide educational liberties in a measure that has greatly contributed to the re-establishment of better relations.

**WOMEN JURORS.**

A jury including three women was being sworn at the Old Bailey in a case of offences against boys when the foreman said to Sir Ernest Wild, the Recorder, that all the women wished to be excused from serving.

Sir Ernest (to the women): If you do not wish to do your duty as citizens I will release you. Do you desire to be released?

A woman Juror: We all do.

Sir Ernest: Is it the opinion of all you three that you do not wish to serve on the jury because this is a case of alleged indecency with regard to children?—Yes.

Sir Ernest: Very well, then, you shall be released, but I think your decision is very deplorable.

Three other jurors—two women and a man—took their places.

Sir Ernest asked the newly called women if they had any objection.

"No," replied one. "I have no objection if the men do not object and think it will prevent open discussion."

The other said that she also made no objection.

Sir Ernest: I do not think the male members of the jury will feel any unpleasantness. I should have thought this was a case where women could be of the very greatest assistance. Women have as much knowledge as men as to whether

**BABY ORCHID.**

**THE KING AMUSED BY  
CRADLE EFFECT.**

**CHELSEA'S SHOW.**

Although Chelsea had the chilly dreariness of a winter's day, the King and Queen thoroughly enjoyed themselves amid the marvellous colours and exotic blooms at the private view of the Royal Horticultural Society's spring show at the Royal Hospital gardens, Chelsea, which was open to the public in mid week.

The King, who was in a jolly mood, was particularly interested in the wonderful show in the orchid tent. Mr. Gurney Wilson, secretary of the Orchid Committee, showed him one of the most valuable exhibits in the show—a single orchid, called the Octopus, valued at £50.

There are not more than half dozen of them in Europe, and Mr. Wilson explained to the King how, when the bee alights on one of the petals of the flower, it is thrown into a cup-like receptacle, thus getting a bath of honey.

The King was also amused by the Baby-in-the-Cradle orchid, a yellow flower shaped like a cradle with a piece inside like a baby, which rocks to and fro on a hinge when the wind blows.

Rhododendrons are very beautiful when exhibited," said the King later, "but when they are growing wild they are a nuisance. At Sandringham they are all over the woods, and you cannot get rid of them. You cannot burn them and they choke any wood."

The King, who was wearing a carnation in his buttonhole, admired some calceolarias, and said that he liked old-fashioned flowers.

**HUSBANDS FOR ALL.**

**AUSTRALIAN'S INVITATION TO  
ENGLISH GIRLS.**

"English girls have impressed me as being extraordinarily intelligent and sweet; just the type we want," said Mr. Colin McKenzie McIntyre, one of the oldest members of the Scottish-Australian delegation of 650 business men and farmers now visiting Britain, to a "Daily Mail" reporter. Mr. McIntyre added:—

English girls are not so slim as Australian girls. In Australia we have a 60,000-strong anti-potato league, consisting of girls who have sworn never to eat potatoes because it makes them stout.

It strikes me that perhaps there is less chance for young men in this country than in my own. I know hundreds of men who went to Australia with nothing and are now revisiting their native land as millionaires.

At a luncheon to the delegation at Messrs. Shoolbreds, Tottenham Court-road, W., Mr. P. A. Best, chairman of the firm, proposed that schools should be started in Britain for special instruction for agricultural workers.

Mr. McIntyre said that such a scheme was exactly what was wanted and stated:—

We do not want men with capital, but we want them with a little experience, so that they are fit to start right away.

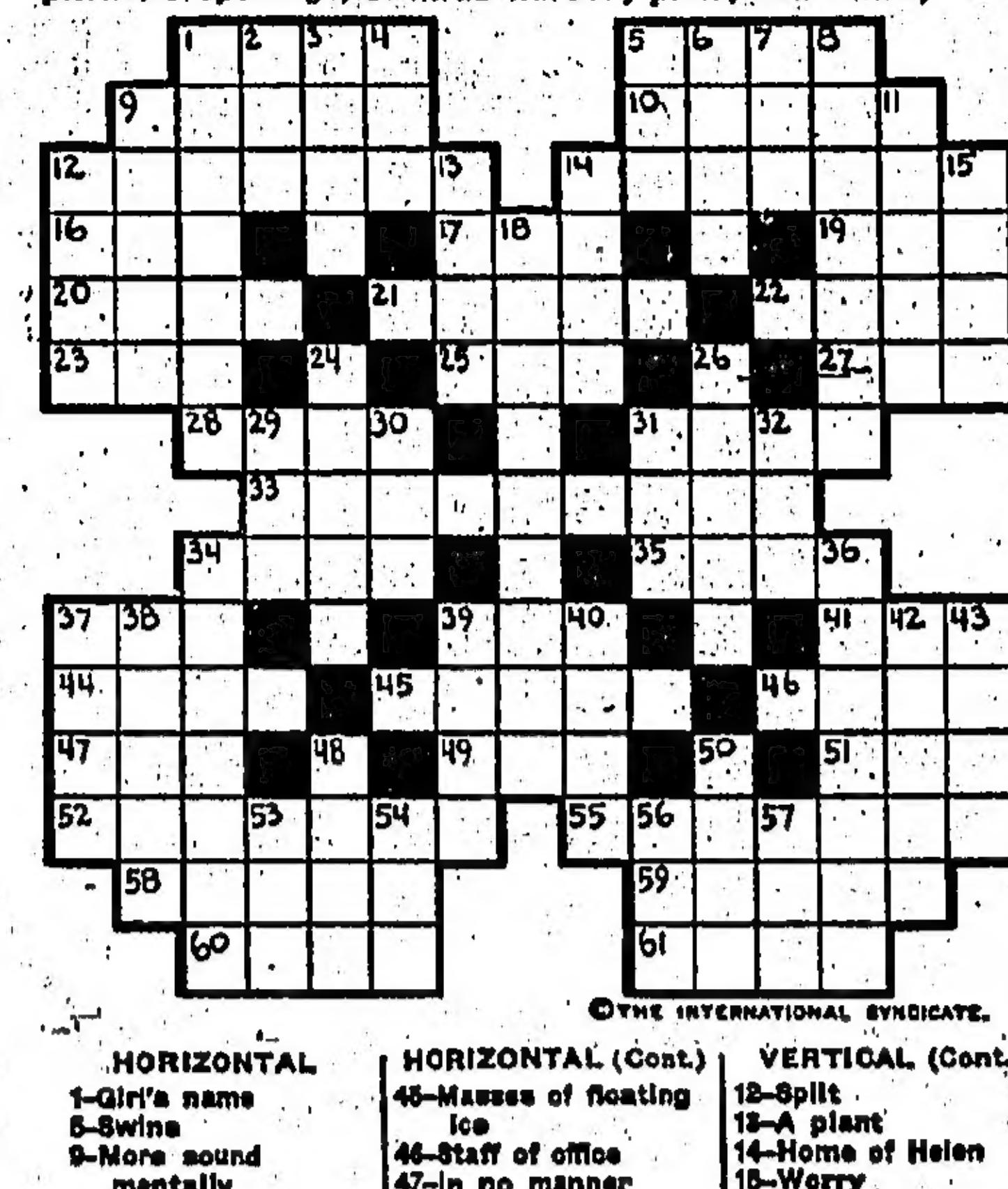
We have come to England to put these problems frankly before you. Let us also have your women. Many of them, I understand, are as much unemployed in England as your men. In Queensland, there are husbands for all.

An appeal by an usher for "silence in court" having failed at the Old Bailey, the Recorder (Sir Ernest Wild, K.C.) quietly asked: "Would anyone like me to rise for five minutes for the conversations to continue?" The hum of conversation at the back of the court then ceased.

perhaps more. One of the comforts of having women on a jury when children are concerned is that two points of view are brought to bear on the case.

**DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.**

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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**HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**

1-Girl's name  
5-Swim  
9-More sound  
10-Happening  
12-Garden vegetable  
14-Dulcimer  
16-Boy  
17-Always (poet)  
19-Sagacity  
20-Froxen dainties  
21-Protective covering  
22-Bird  
23-Number  
25-Purchase  
27-Latally made  
28-Fish  
31-To roughen  
33-Worship  
34-Land surrounded by  
water  
35-To corner  
37-Possess  
38-To cry like a small  
bird  
41-Scrape with foot  
44-Lichen

**VERTICAL (Cont.)**

1-Girls  
3-Hostile  
5-Cut down and  
gather in  
6-Part of a circle  
8-Pronoun  
9-Place for baking  
10-Jewel  
12-Falling in white  
flakes  
13-Room  
14-Ornamental  
shoulder marking  
15-Combining form, All  
16-Forests  
18-Dramatic offering  
20-Landed property  
21-Name  
22-High  
23-Unwholesome  
24-To be somewhat ill  
25-To permit  
26-Printer's measure  
27-Feminine suffix

**SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES**

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting on the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

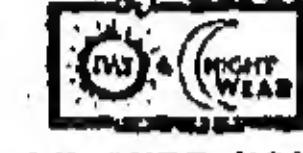
**WATER SUPPLY.**

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on June 1, 1928.—CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1927	1928
Tytam	1	1
Tytam Byewash	2' 0"B	1'L
Tytam Intermediate	1'L	1'L
Tytam Tuk	1' 10" 7"B	1' 10" 7"B
Wong Nel Chung	3' 8"B	3' 8"B
Pokfulum	3' 4"B	3' 4"B
Total	2,163.24	1,870.56
Consumption in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May.	1927	1928
Consumption	295.70	233.80
Estimated population per head	411,920	422,240
Consumption per day	23.1	17.8
Constant Supply in all Rider Main Districts during May, 1927.	1,719.00	1,711.15
Intermittent supply in all Rider Main Districts during May, 1928.	22.24	30.84
Kowloon Water Works LEVEL	65.78	66.00
Kowloon Reservoirs	1927	1928
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	382.50	351.63
Reception Reservoir	71.50	100.02
Storage of millions and decimals of gallons.	33.15	
Total	424.00	400.80
Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May.	1927	1928
Consumption	87.08	107.15
Estimated population	160,240	165,280
Consumption per head	17.5	20.9
Full Supply in all districts during May 1927 and 1928.	20.77	20.77
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Dr. D. D. Tengu Jabavu, a graduate of London University and now Professor of Bantu Studies at Fort Hare Native College at Alice, Cape Province has been spending a few days in London on his way back to South Africa from Jerusalem, where he has been as a delegate to the great meeting of the International Missionary Council, the "Daily News and Westminster Gazette" is informed by a correspondent.

"I have found it both easier and more economical to return home from Palestine via London rather than down the East Coast of Africa," he told me, "and I am particularly glad of renewing old acquaintanceships that I made when I was studying at London University and at Kingsmead, Birmingham, fourteen years ago. The most startling changes in London are in the traffic increase, and the modern buildings, which make London almost a new city for me."

**Women More Masculine.**

"But I have been particularly struck by the development of the British women towards a more masculine character than before. The most rank smoking departments in restaurants and trains are nowaday no safety place for the poor smoker like myself seeking only male companionship, while I notice in the women an apparently increased boldness and dash, due to their so-called emancipation from male domination."

This smiling, jolly leader of the Bantu race told me that he could not suppress a certain dissatisfaction at the apathy of the British public towards Empire problems.

"We of the subject races expect that the grant of absolute self-government in the Dominions should lead to a continued interest on the part both of the Imperial Government and of the British general public."

"We therefore hope that missionary bodies in the British Isles will take steps to induce the public to take a more vivid interest in the domestic questions in South Africa and elsewhere."

**Hertzog's Change of View.**  
Since he left South Africa last February, General Hertzog's four Native Bills had been much before the public in South Africa, and he noted with pleasure that the Prime Minister appeared to be making good use of the friendly suggestions of his local political opponents.

"It would perhaps encourage him," said Professor Jabavu, "if a general approbation could be conveyed to him from overseas, approving of his change of view."

"I am inclined to be more optimistic with regard to the future of race relations between white and black in South Africa," he

continued, "especially if the forces of moderation, justice and Christian goodwill are allowed full play in the formation of an amicable public opinion."

"For instance, the findings of the Jerusalem meeting of the International Missionary Council on Inter-racial Relationships should do much good by giving encouragement to the existent organisations there, such as the Native Welfare Societies, the European Bantu conferences of the Dutch Reformed Church, and the younger generation of European students in the university colleges, who have attached themselves to the student Christian associations.

**Jerusalem Meetings.**

The Jerusalem meeting was really most remarkable for the way in which nationals of various countries were encouraged to play their full part despite the many difficulties of language and the natural difference of many in such a large meeting.

"I was agreeably surprised by the way in which the most pressing problems of the age, such as racial and industrial problems, were handled under the leadership of experts such as Mr. R. H. Tawney, Mr. Harold Grimshaw, of the L.L.O., and Dr. Butterfield,

the American agricultural authority, who placed their knowledge at the disposal of the conference. This enabled the Council to draw up schemes which will hardly need revision for 20 years. It also presents missionaries to the public in a new light, not as incompetent cranks but as people well abreast of modern developments of science and of thorough-going investigations.

**Real World Message.**

I also admired the generosity of spirit with which delicate questions such as inter-racial relations and war were dealt with by individuals holding diametrically opposite views. Here, as one member said, 'We did not settle our differences, but transcended them.'

"There was an admirable thoroughness about the findings which constitute a real message and policy which will probably be accepted unanimously by the entire world of Christendom."

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**LEPER JUDGE.****CALLS WOMEN "ALL WRONG."****PHILOSOPHIC VIEWS.**

Honolulu, May 30.—Hawaii's leper settlement at Kalaupapa has a magistrate who is a patient possessed of considerable local fame as a philosopher. He is Caesar S. Nascimento and in addition to dispensing justice he also presides over the post office.

One of his recent rulings came to light when a case was appealed. It was a disorderly conduct case wherein husband received only a light fine.

"Some women make a big thing out of a small thing," wrote the magistrate, "women should think twice before making complaints. If police were not so hasty in making arrests on complaints by women life in Kalaupapa would be much more pleasant. Also the magistrate would not have to hear so many trivial disputes."—United Press.

**LOVE AND LUNACY.**

Discussion on the Currency and Banknotes Bill in the House of Commons recently was very technical.

Sir John Marriott (Con., York) said he had understood it was an open question whether love or drink or currency had contributed most to the increase of lunacy. After giving close and continuous attention to the debates on the present Bill, he had come to the conclusion deliberately that the last predisposing cause was the most imminent.

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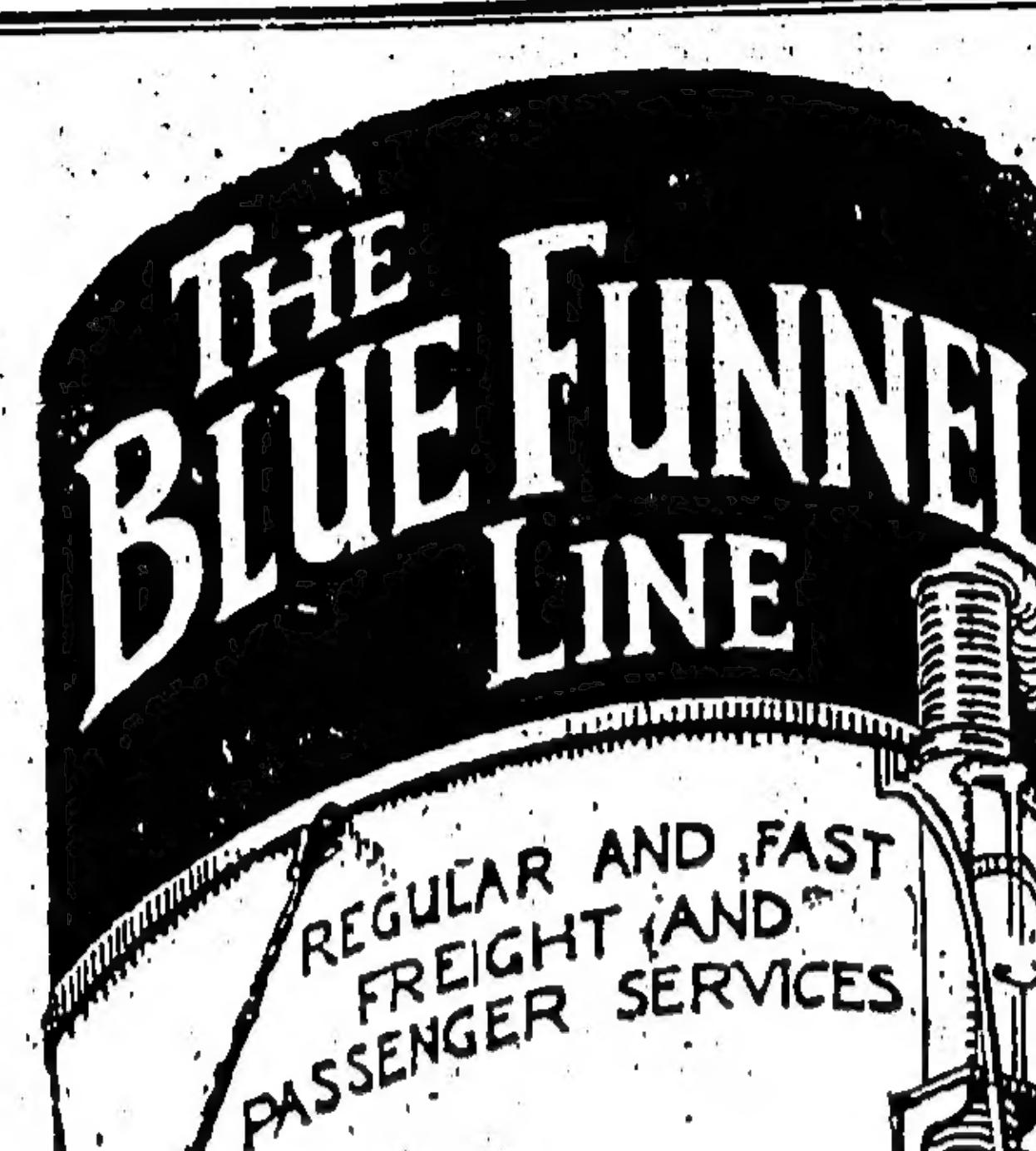
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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20.	Tai Ping	4.30 p.m.
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Straits	Cromer	10.30 a.m.
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Shanghai, Wei Hai Wei, *Japan		
and Europe via Siberia	Rawalpindi	6 p.m.
FRIDAY, JUNE 22.		
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Japan, *Canada, *U.S.A., *C. & S. America and *Europe via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C. 17th July, Parcels 5 p.m., Registration (June 23rd) 9.15 a.m. Letters (June 23rd) 10 a.m. Tynadreus		
SATURDAY, JUNE 23.		
Australia and New Zealand via Singapore and Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 11th July. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters Ranpura connecting with "Marella" at Singapore. Caravellas		
10.30 a.m.		
Haiphong		
Amoy	Yumsang	6 p.m.

Correspondence bearing vessel's name may.

**THE SPEAKER'S RETIREMENT.****MORE TRIBUTES.****MR. WHITLEY AND DOMINIONS.****PRAYER TO THE KING.**

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons, Mr. Baldwin moved a resolution which unanimously tendered the Commons' thanks to Mr. Whitley on the occasion of his retirement from the speakership. He paid a tribute to Mr. Whitley's wide humanity. Mr. Baldwin emphasised the Speaker's special interest in the Empire Parliamentary Association and said that he was convinced that the hospitality which the Speaker had extended to Dominions' legislators had been one of their most treasured recollections when they returned home.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. T. P. O'Connor and Mr. Saklatvala joined in the tribute.

Mr. Whitley eloquently returned thanks.

The House then adopted the resolution praying His Majesty to confer a signal mark of honour at the House's expense.—Reuter.

**COURT CHALLENGE.****CHOPPING THE COCK'S HEAD IN A TEMPLE.****CHINESE TRIAL BY ORDEAL.**

Akin to a trial by ordeal, the cutting of a cock's head (as a form of taking a severe oath) was suggested by litigant in the Summary Court this morning.

He was Sze-To Ming, an engineer, who was sued by the Tung Hing firm for \$221.48. Defendant admitted the claim, except that he had paid sums of \$50, \$20 and \$5 without getting receipts for same. He was corroborated by a witness as having paid \$20 but he had no witness for the other payments, he said.

Twice he asked the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Jacks) to order plaintiff to take the suggested oath in a temple. His Lordship replied that it was up to defendant to prove that he had made the payments.

Na Instalments.

When judgment was given for plaintiff for the sum claimed less \$20, defendant burst out: "I will not be satisfied until he (the plaintiff) has chopped the cock's head with me."

Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for plaintiff.

An application by defendant to pay instalments of \$8 or \$10 a month—he was now earning \$40 a month—was opposed and His Lordship refused on the ground that the claim was for a trade debt and that defendant had had the use of the goods supplied.

**WIFE'S CLAIM.****SUES FOR \$30 MONTHLY MAINTENANCE.**

Mrs. Ng Wong She sued her husband Ng Chung-sai for her monthly maintenance of \$30 before Major C. Willson, O.B.E., at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for complainant and defendant was unrepresented.

Mr. Russ said the Court had ordered defendant to pay his wife \$7 a week or \$30 a month but the defendant had failed to comply with the judgment.

Defendant said that he was out of employment and could not afford to pay.

Having learnt that the defendant was \$37 in arrears, His Worship ordered defendant to pay \$7 a week or in default 14 days imprisonment, the first instalment to be paid on June 23.

London, June 18.—The House of Commons to-day began a detailed examination of the Government's Rating Relief Bill, and rejected amendments in favour of restricting the relief to necessitous areas and of cutting out agriculture from the scheme of relief. The Labour amendment suggested that the money saved this way should be extended to the relief of all forms of transport. Reuter.

**THE MILL STRIKE OUT BOMBAY.****HOW IT STANDS.****STILL NEGOTIATING: HOPEFUL SIGNS.****OWNERS' PROPOSALS.**

Bombay, Yesterday. Representatives of the mill owners and the strikers have been exploring ways and means towards arriving at a settlement of the mill strike, and it is understood that the representatives of the Strike Committee are considering the owners' proposals as to a standardisation of the hours of work.—Reuter.

**DISARMAMENT.****INTERESTING DISCUSSION IN THE LORDS.****LORD CUSHENDEN'S REPLY.**

London, Yesterday. In the House of Lords, Lord Cecil moved that it was desirable that the Preparatory Disarmament Commission at Geneva should again meet early and in any case before the meeting of the next Assembly.

The mover said that no progress towards disarmament had been made since the Spring of last year. He criticised the British Government's negative attitude.

Lord Cushendun pointed out that difficult problems had constantly arisen when the disarmament question was being considered. He defended the Government's attitude towards the proposals made and repudiated the suggestion that Lord Palmerston for Great Britain had acted obstructively.

"We had done infinitely more to promote and resort to arbitration, than any country except the United States and we have been the foremost in directing practical disarmament." Lord Cushendun declared that useful decisions with regard to disarmament could only be arrived at by the greatest patience and forbearance, and he suggested the substitution of the words "if possible" for "in any case" in Lord's resolution.

This was agreed to.—Reuter.

**COTTON TRADE.****RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FEDERATION.****A NEW POLICY.**

London, Yesterday. The Federation of Master Cotton Spinners have recommended the American Yarn's Spinning Section to revert to organise short-time working and to curtail their production by 50 per cent.

A ballot will be taken immediately.

The Master Cotton Spinners will ask a vote of the owners of about 90 per cent. instead usual 80 per cent. of spindles in favour of the recommendation before the scheme is applied.

The new policy, if approved, will begin on July 2.—Reuter.

**AUSTRO-AMERICAN TREATY.**

Vienna, Yesterday. The Austro-American Treaty of Amity and Trade has been signed. It is based on the most favoured nation treatment and contains detailed stipulations regarding the legal status of their respective nations.

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**FRANC STABILISATION.**

Paris, Yesterday. The Cabinet will decide on Saturday afternoon the rate of the franc's stabilisation, which Parliament will discuss the same night.

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**TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.**

The clearing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2/0 8/16.

**THE "FRIENDSHIP" FLIERS.****NOW IN LONDON.****MISS EARHART'S CANDID STATEMENT.****HOPES TO MEET THE KING.**

London, Yesterday. Miss Earhart and her companions, Stultz and Gordon the flight had a memorable re- (Ellsworth did not participate inception at Southampton, where the police had difficulty in preventing mobbing by an enthusiastic crowd, which included a host of Americans.

Miss Earhart stated to Reuter

that she was of opinion that the success of the trip was due to Stultz's experience in night-flying. He controlled the machine practically throughout most wonderfully and in awful weather.

She ridiculed the story that she had undertaken the journey to restore the financial position of her family and said that her vocation was that of a "social worker." She was not a qualified pilot and did not intend to adopt aviation professionally.

Asked if she was going to see the King, she replied: "Rather if he asks me."

All later left for London by train.

**Avoiding "Lionising."**

On their arrival in London the "Friendship" fliers were quickly shepherded into the interior of a hotel to avoid the "lionising" of the crowds!—Reuter.

**PRINCESS XENIA.****NEW ENGINE NECESSARY FOR FLIGHT'S RESUMPTION.****Bushire, Yesterday.**